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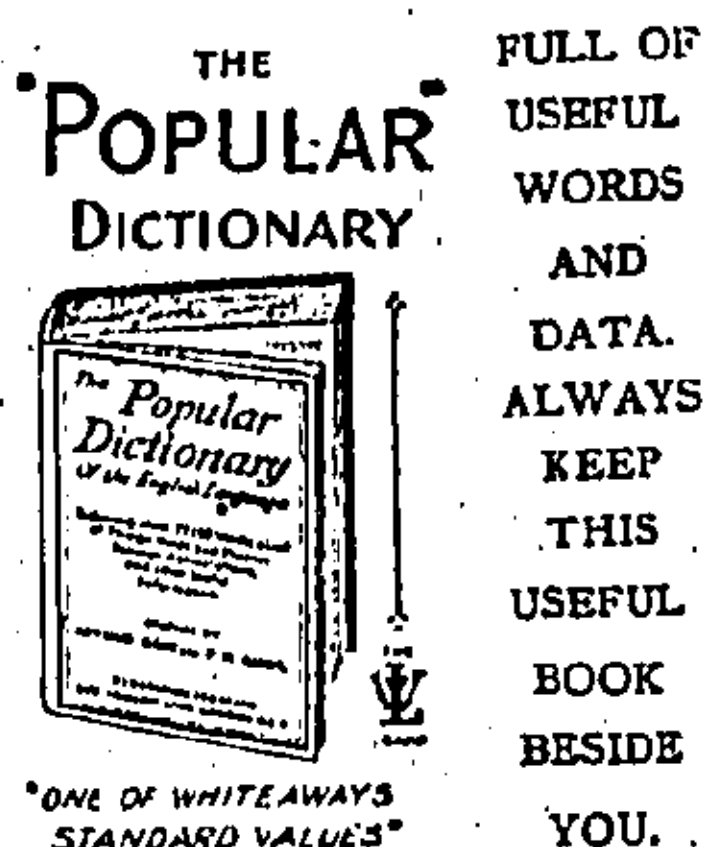


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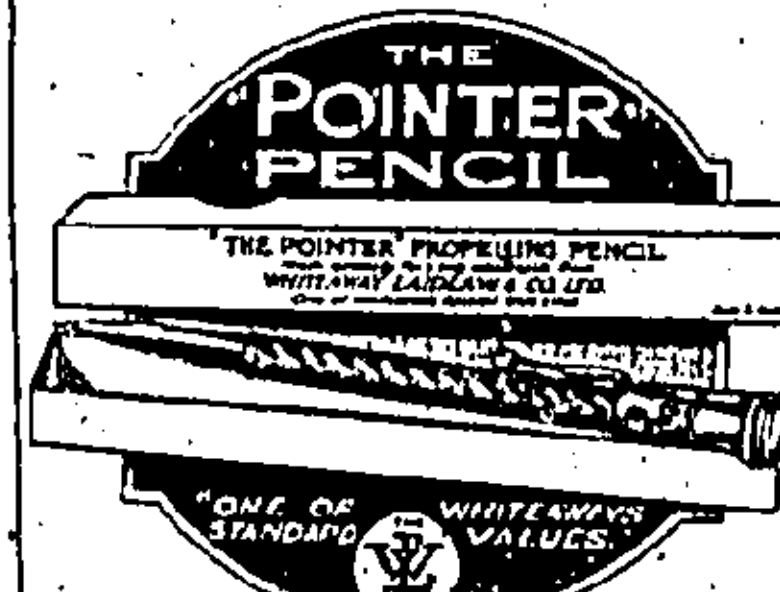
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REASONS FOR SIR MILES LAMPSON'S VISIT.

Yesterday a very unpleasant incident occurred at Hankow, a coolie spitting in the face of a British bluejacket, and a strong protest has been lodged with the Chinese authorities.

The food situation at Hankow is becoming more serious, all food being commandeered and rationed. There are distinct signs of uneasiness and some of the officials are reported to have left.

Fears of an attack against Shanghai from the mouth of the Yangtze River have been dispelled, reports that Northern troops had landed on Tsung Ming Island having been proved false.

A Rugby wireless message states that the British Minister in Peking has gone to Shanghai solely to study the situation for himself and to consult the British officials on the spot.

SHANGHAI SCARE.

Planes Reconnoitre River Mouth.

Shanghai, May 12.

Considerable apprehension was caused here by the reports that 12,000 Northern troops under General Sun Chuan-fang had landed on Tsung Ming Island, at the mouth of the Yangtze.

Anticipating an attack on Shanghai, the Southerners today sent up aeroplanes to reconnoitre and it was then found that the report was without foundation, there being neither troops, transports or warships there.

British Naval Wireless.

Hankow Incident.

A strong protest has been made to the Chinese authorities regarding an incident which occurred yesterday.

A coolie spat in the face of a bluejacket sentry guarding one of the British pontoons. The sentry retaliated by knocking the coolie down with the butt end of his rifle, the coolie sustaining head injuries which necessitated his removal to hospital.

The punishment of the coolie by the Chinese authorities has been demanded.

Famine Increases.
The food situation here is getting more serious and all food-stuffs are being commandeered and rationed. Silver also continues to be commandeered.

Although the situation remains quiet, there was distinct signs of uneasiness among the local officials, some of whom are reported to have left.

Yang Sen's Advance.
The advance of General Yang Sen on Hankow is confirmed and his fresh turn against the South is explained by the news that he was dismissed from the Southern Army.

The threatening Fengtien troops have not as yet commenced to advance.

Reports in the native Press of a Southern victory are untrue. The Southerners are moving up troops to replace those who proved disloyal.—British Naval Wireless.

Artillery Exchanges.

Nanking, May 12.
Heavy artillery exchanges between the North and South took place on the night of May 10 but very little yesterday.

Reports, as yet unconfirmed, stated that some 40,000 Nationalist troops have crossed to the North Bank of the river to join up with the Anhwei troops for an attack on the Northerners in Pukow.—British Naval Wireless.

Foreign Premises Occupied.

Chinkiang, May 12.
In spite of the instructions of General Ho that foreign property should remain immune, troops have again occupied foreign buildings, except the shipping residences.

The situation is otherwise quiet.—British Naval Wireless.

Reported Northern Defeat.

Wuhu, May 12.
It is stated that the Northern Army has sustained a defeat at Luchow-fu, but this has still to be confirmed.

The situation is normal.—British Naval Wireless.

SIR MILES LAMPSON.

Reasons For Visit to Shanghai.

Rugby, May 12.
With reference to rumours regarding the purpose of the visit which Sir Miles Lampson, the British Minister in Peking, is paying to Shanghai, it is emphatically stated that its sole purpose is to enable the Minister to study the situation himself and to consult with the Commander-in-Chief, Admiral Tyrwhitt, and the Commander of the Shanghai Defence Force, General Duncan, and the British Consular official there.—British Wireless Service.

UNRULY TROOPS.

Consulate and Foreign Homes Occupied.

Rugby, May 12.
Messages from China state that General Yang Sen, who was in command of the Chinese forces in Wansien, arrived at Ichang on Sunday. Apparently the usual looting of the native city took place, but foreign property was not touched.

General Yang Sen is reported to have also taken over Shasi and to be joining up with Wu Peifu's troops on the River Han for an advance on Hankow.

Armed peasantry known as Real Spears are still operating on the Hupeh-Honan border against the Southerners, and have destroyed bridges further south.

Fengtien troops have reached Hanyang beyond Chumatin.

At Chinking there is a considerable troop movement down the river towards Kueishan and all available river transport has been commandeered by the Southern General Ho Ying-yin.

The Consulate offices and nearly all foreign houses in the British Concession were yesterday occupied by troops in spite of proclamations by General Ho forbidding this action.

The consular officer has requested the withdrawal of the troops.

The Communist force which was marching on Swatow is reported to have been dispersed at Punting.—British Wireless Service.

GENERAL CHIEN'S TROOPS.

Pursuing North River Rebels.

After the occupation of Shiu-kwan, General Chien Te-chun ordered all his forces to advance towards Ping-shih and Lok-chung in pursuit of the retreating soldiers of rebel Chen Chai-yu. His vanguards entered Lok-

SOLID RESULTS.

Resolutions By Geneva Committees.

WORLD ECONOMIC PROBLEMS.

Geneva, May 12.

The deliberations of the Economic Conference, which are progressing rapidly, have yielded definite resolutions by various sub-committees, notably the sub-committee on tariffs opposing subsidies.

The sub-committee expressed the hope that the Governments would do their utmost to refrain, therefore, also from dumping regarding which the committee recommends the establishment of universally stable conditions of

JAPAN'S CREDIT.

Moratorium Ends Without Incident.

Tokyo, May 13.

The Moratorium ended last night but everywhere quiet is reported. There are no signs of bank runs and stocks are registering rises.—Reuter.

production and commerce, and the reduction of excessive customs tariffs.

The sub-committee on agriculture recommended the encouragement of the efforts of producers and consumers' co-operative associations.

The sub-committee on commerce counsels international action to assure normal currents of international trade and commercial equality for State and private enterprises.

The committee recommends the conclusion of bilateral agreements to determine the best methods of defining the status of "foreign" not only from the economic but also from the legal and fiscal viewpoint.—Reuter.

WEATHER FORECAST.

Light, variable winds; fair, is the forecast for the twenty-four hours ending at noon to-morrow.
Meteorological observations at 6 a.m. to-day: barometer, 29.83; temperature, 74; humidity 97.

cheong without resistance from the rebels who dispersed in a panic at sight of their advance. It is also announced that in order to effect a fundamental suppression of all reactionary elements, General Chien Ta-chun decided to strengthen his forces by moving to the front the whole of the 20th Division which is held in readiness at the rear.

As to the enemy fragments in the North River district, they are being quickly wiped out, says the "Canton Gazette."

The Kuk-kong district city is now quite peaceful. As the former magistrate had already left office, Mr. Chen Ping-nok has been appointed by General Chien Ta-chun to act ad interim. A telegram from Shiu-chow states:—

"We reached Shiu-chow on the 8th. Our forces in pursuit of the enemy are marching towards Ping-shih. Another detachment has been sent to join the 5th Army at Nam-(hung) and Chi-(ching). Please note." (Sd.) Military Headquarters of the North Direction, now at Shiu-chow.

EARLIER CABLES.

British Hankow Claims Reach \$2,000,000.

London, May 12.

British claims hitherto filed in connection with the looting and destruction of property in Hankow on January 8 so far amount to \$2,000,000.—Reuter.

"HAWKINS" FOR HANKOW.

Sir Miles Lampson to Visit Shanghai.

Shanghai, May 12.

H.M.S. "Hawkins" is leaving for Hankow to-morrow with Admiral Tyrwhitt aboard. It is expected that Sir Miles Lampson will be visiting Shanghai this week-end, travelling by H.M.S. "Foxglove" from Tientsin.—Reuter.

LONDON RAID.

POLICE SEARCH RUSSIAN PREMISES.

GUILTY SECRETS.

ATTEMPTS MADE TO BURN PAPERS.

A sensation has been caused in London by the action of the police in raiding Arcos House where several Soviet organisations, including the Russian Trade Delegation, have their offices. The raid came as a complete surprise. None the less efforts were made to burn papers and the keys of some of the safes are missing.

COMPLETE SURPRISE.

Street Suddenly Alive With Police.

London, May 12.

A sensational police raid was carried out at Arcos House in the City of London in which the Soviet trading organisations, bank, and Russian Trade Delegation have their offices.

Up to the present there have been no arrests.

Trade Delegation's Immunity.

Later.
Callers this afternoon found all the doors guarded and the police refused admission.

The Russian Embassy is not aware of the reasons for the raid, which it is understood was very exhaustive.

The raid, however, did not include the rooms occupied by the Trade Delegation which is believed to enjoy diplomatic immunity.—Reuter.

Made To Turn Out Pockets.

London, May 12.

"They even made us turn out our pockets," declared a member of Arcos staff leaving the premises late to-night when referring to the thoroughness of the police search.

He added that the police ransacked every department, especially the Russian trade delegation offices.

The examination was still proceeding late this evening when General Sir Wyndham Childs, head of the Special Branch of Scotland Yard, arrived and entered the building, accompanied by a dozen or more police.

The bulk of the staff of several hundred are still detained. The half of these are English.—Reuter.

Alive With Police.

London, May 13.

The police terminated their inspection at midnight. A strong guard, however, remained outside and inside the building all

night long. The examination of files, books and papers is being resumed morning prior to the arrival of the employees.

The signal for the raid was given when three plain-clothes officers took up a position at the entrance of the building.

The street immediately became alive with police who appeared to spring from nowhere. They rushed to their allotted positions.

Telephone communication with Arcos was cut off. There was the greatest excitement among the crowds thronging the street numbers of whom remained until after midnight.—Reuter.

Attempt to Burn Papers.

It is understood that in spite of the suddenness of the police entry an attempt was made to burn certain papers.

Some of the keys of safes are at present missing. The raid consequently is likely to be protracted.

The building contains an enormous number of documents and papers among which were found a number of propaganda films.—Reuter.

ATLANTIC FLIGHT.

BECOMING AS 3-CORNERED CONTEST.

AMERICAN AVIATORS READY.

New York, May 13.

The trans-Atlantic flight to Paris is now likely to develop into a three-cornered race.

The Americans Bertrand and Chamberlain are awaiting a favourable weather report prior to taking off while the ex-air mail pilot Captain Lindbergh has arrived at New York in a monoplane in which he intends to attempt a flight alone.

Commander Byrd's machine is also tuning up in a series of tests prior to hopping off.—Reuter's American Service.

FOR A TEA PARTY.

HOW A SHOPKEEPER WAS SWINDLED.

According to a report made by Mr. H. M. H. Ismail, storekeeper of No. 15 Morrison Hill Road, a Chinese entered the shop yesterday and ordered 18 tins of biscuits and 150 packets of Three Castles cigarettes for a tea party at Lee Gardens, the goods to be paid for on delivery at the garden. Mr. Ismail went with the Chinese to the garden where he was asked to wait while the man went to the office to get the money. The Chinese never returned. When Mr. Ismail enquired at the office he was told that the goods were never ordered, and no tea party was being held there that afternoon.

JAIL AND BIRCH.

A MAN WHO CAME BACK TWICE.

Mr. R. E. Lindsell this morning sentenced a Chinese to nine months' jail and 15 strokes for returning from banishment.

The man served three weeks for keeping an opium diwan in November 1925 and was later banished for five years. He returned soon afterwards and was sentenced to 6 months and 15 strokes, being again banished for five years.

This was his second return. He was said the first time he returned he was on his way to Swatow from Macao. This time he came back to take ship to go to Sumatra.

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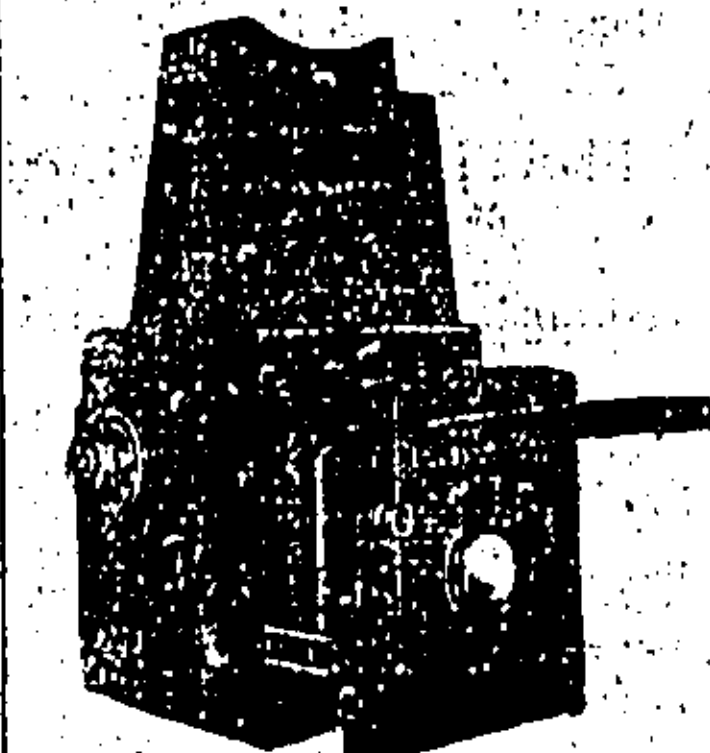
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On View from Friday, 13th May, 1927.

Terms:—Cash on Delivery.

LAMMERT BROS., Auctioneers, Hong Kong, 9th May, 1927.

ON WEDNESDAY, the 18th May, 1927, commencing at 2.45 p.m. at No. 23, Humphreys Building, Kowloon.

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On View from Tuesday, the 17th May, 1927.

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LAMMERT BROS., Auctioneers, Hong Kong, 12th May, 1927.

NOTICES.

HONG KONG BOXING ASSOCIATION.

EIGHTH TOURNAMENT OF THE SEASON.

SATURDAY, 14th May, 1927 at 9.15 p.m.

THEATRE ROYAL.

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NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

THE FORTY-SIXTH ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING of Shareholders will be held at the Offices of the undersigned on TUESDAY, the 17th May, 1927, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Agents, together with a Statement of Accounts for the year ended the 31st December, 1926.

The SHARE REGISTER and TRANSFER BOOKS will be CLOSED from the 3rd to the 17th May, 1927, both days inclusive.

JARDINE, MATHESON & CO., LTD., General Agents, Hong Kong, 26th April, 1927.

UNION INSURANCE SOCIETY OF CANTON, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-FOURTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Society will be held at the Head Office, Union Building, Hong Kong, on FRIDAY, 20th MAY, 1927, at 11 o'clock a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Accounts to 31st December, 1926, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Society will be CLOSED from May 11th to May 20th, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board, PAUL LAUDER, General Manager, Hong Kong, April 25th, 1927.

BRITISH TRADERS' INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the SIXTY-FIRST ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, Union Building, Hong Kong, on FRIDAY, 20th MAY, 1927, at 11.15 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Accounts to 31st December, 1926, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from May 4th to May 20th, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board, PAUL LAUDER, General Manager, Hong Kong, April 25th, 1927.

THE CHINA FIRE INSURANCE COMPANY, LIMITED.

NOTICE TO SHAREHOLDERS.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the FIFTY-EIGHTH ORDINARY YEARLY MEETING of the Company will be held at its Head Office, Union Building, Hong Kong, on FRIDAY, 20th MAY, 1927, at 11.20 a.m., for the purpose of receiving the Report of the Directors and the Statements of Accounts to 31st December, 1926, and of declaring Dividends, etc.

THE TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from May 4th to May 20th, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board, PAUL LAUDER, General Manager, Hong Kong, April 25th, 1927.

DOUGLAS STEAMSHIP CO., LIMITED.

THE ORDINARY GENERAL MEETING OF SHAREHOLDERS

in the above Company will be held at the Company's Offices, on SATURDAY, the 21st of May, 1927, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving the Report of the General Managers, together with a Statement of Accounts to the 31st of December, 1926.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from the 17th to 21st of May, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board, DOUGLAS L. LAURIE & CO., General Managers, Hong Kong, 6th May, 1927.

NOTICES.

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4. The General Manager, Federated Malay States Railways does not bind himself to accept the lowest or any tender.

NOTICE.

CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN & MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that the THIRTIETH ORDINARY ANNUAL MEETING of Shareholders in the Company will be held at the Registered Office of the Company, "St. George's" Building, Chater Road, Hong Kong, on SATURDAY, May 14th, 1927, at Noon, for the purpose of receiving a Statement of Accounts and the Report of the Directors for the year ended December 31st, 1926; to confirm the appointment of Two Directors and Auditors.

The TRANSFER BOOKS of the Company will be CLOSED from WEDNESDAY, 11th MAY, 1927, until WEDNESDAY, 18th MAY, 1927, both days inclusive.

By Order of the Board, D. L. KING, Secretary, Hong Kong, May 2nd, 1927.

CHINA PROVIDENT LOAN & MORTGAGE CO., LTD.

To Shareholders & Others Holding Powers of Attorney.

NOTICE IS HEREBY GIVEN that in Pursuance of Article 81 of the Articles of Association all Powers of Attorney under which any shareholder intends to vote on the Poll to be held at the Registered Office of the Company on the 18th instant must be deposited at the Registered Office of the Company not less than forty-eight hours before the time for holding of such Poll notwithstanding that such Powers of Attorney have already been produced to and noted by the Company.

Dated this 5th day of May, 1927.

By Order of the Board, D. L. KING, Secretary.

UNCLAIMED TELEGRAMS.

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E. V. JESSEN, Superintendent, Hong Kong Station, 12th May.

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List of Unclaimed Telegrams lying in E. E. Telegraph Office, Hong Kong.

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E. A. LEGGATT, Superintendent, Hong Kong, 12th May, 1927.

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CANTON LOAN.

UNEMPLOYED STRIKERS TO BE PAID OFF.

Merchants of Canton city through their respective guilds have undertaken to provide within ten days a loan to the Government of \$1,500,000 as a special fund to dispose of the Canton-Hong Kong strikers, says Wednesday's "Canton Gazette."

A notification, issued by the Special Governing Committee, states that the General Chamber of Commerce have held a meeting and decided on the following measures to raise the loan:

1. The amount of the loan to be \$1,500,000 as requested.

2. Every shop will take up a certain quota of the loan. Such quota will be fixed in proportion to the license fee of the shop; for example, for every ten dollars license fee, \$30, should be collected from the shopowner. Responsible representatives of the various guilds are to collect the funds from merchants of their respective guilds, and hand over the total allotment to the Chamber.

3. To redeem the loan, Government will issue \$1,500,000 Treasury Bonds, \$30,000 of which will be redeemed every day.

4. The loan will be raised within ten days. The Special Committee is requested to issue a notification to this effect: "Merchants are hereby notified to deliver to responsible persons of the various guilds their due portion of the loan as promptly as possible. This sum will be distributed among the Canton-Hong Kong strikers who have been promised a certain amount of allowance. With this allowance each striker will be able to start work again. It is unwise to leave them unemployed, and it is difficult to provide for them continuously. Accordingly it was decided to give the allowance enabling them to start work when they are dissolved. On the one hand, workers will not be left without means to obtain employment. On the other, merchants will be relieved of further burdens. The four measures proposed by the General Chamber of Commerce have been very well planned, and it is sure to work out well. The people must understand that this step of the Government authorities is taken for the welfare of the workers as well as for economic development."

5. To extend the loan.

6. To deliver or pronounce.

7. A stringed instrument used by the ancient Hebrews.

8. Sun God.

9. For an indefinite time.

10. S. S. (actual).

11. To extend.

12. Venerates.

13. Shire in Scotland.

14. Absolute stillness.

15. Luster.

16. That which is left.

17. Tempers by heat.

18. E. T. A. (actual).

19. Religious denomination (abbrev.).

20. A doll.

21. T. A. (actual).

22. A number.

23. Hebrew God.

24. M.S. (actual).

25. Hastened.

26. A Turkish arrow (plural).

27. If.

28. P. A. (actual).

29. The sun.

30. Scatter.

31. A quaint piece of machinery.

32. An ancient name of a gum.

33. A roebuck.

34. Compass point.

35. A stamping in hawke.

36. Compass point.

37. Same as 48 Across.

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K.R.A. PROPOSE BAND CONCERTS.

COMMUNITY SINGING?

Among the matters considered at the last annual meeting of the General Committee of the Kowloon Residents' Association was the possibility of arranging periodic open-air band concerts during the summer, a feature to be "community singing."

An Entertainment Committee was formed to report on the prospects.

Mr. W. J. Stokes (President) presided over the meeting.

The Rev. G. R. Lindsay having resigned from the Board of Education, the meeting unanimously decided to recommend Mr. B. Wylie to the Government for appointment to the Board.

Kowloon Tong Bus Service.

It was intimated that the Kowloon Motor Bus Company was now running a service from the Star Ferry to Kowloon City via Prince Edward Road to suit the convenience of Kowloon Tong residents. While appreciating this new departure, the Committee considered that the arrangements made were not so admirable as they might be.

It was pointed out that buses leaving the Star Ferry for Kowloon Tong were often filled by passengers destined for intermediate points, with the result that Kowloon Tong residents could not be accommodated. Similarly, and particularly in the mornings, buses from Kowloon City were found by residents awaiting transport, to be already occupied before reaching Kowloon Tong. It was decided to write to the Company and ask that non-stop buses be placed on the route and that a certain number of vehicles be run specifically to and from the Estate where it was pointed out, there were suitable facilities to form a terminus. It was also suggested that possibly at certain periods, arrangements could be made to "lift" school children in the neighbourhood of Austin Road.

Roman Catholic Cemetery.

Correspondence was read dealing with the dimensions of the area proposed to be set apart for the burial of Chinese Roman Catholics and the matter was referred to certain members of the Committee who were instructed to secure the necessary details.

Reports were received from the Children's Playground and Bathing Facilities Sub-Committee.

The Hon. Treasurer in his quarterly report stated that the balance in hand was \$895.87 and that there were now 293 members of the register. During the past month the following new members were elected: Capt. E. Walker, Rev. W. Walton Rogers, and Messrs. T. G. Stokes, C. G. Harrison, A. E. S. Alves and Gerhardt Weber.

American political journalism is the worst ever seen in the world. Mr. H. H. Mencken.

It is not necessary in the modern world that two-thirds of a person's existence should be taken up by putting his living. Miss Margaret Bondfield.

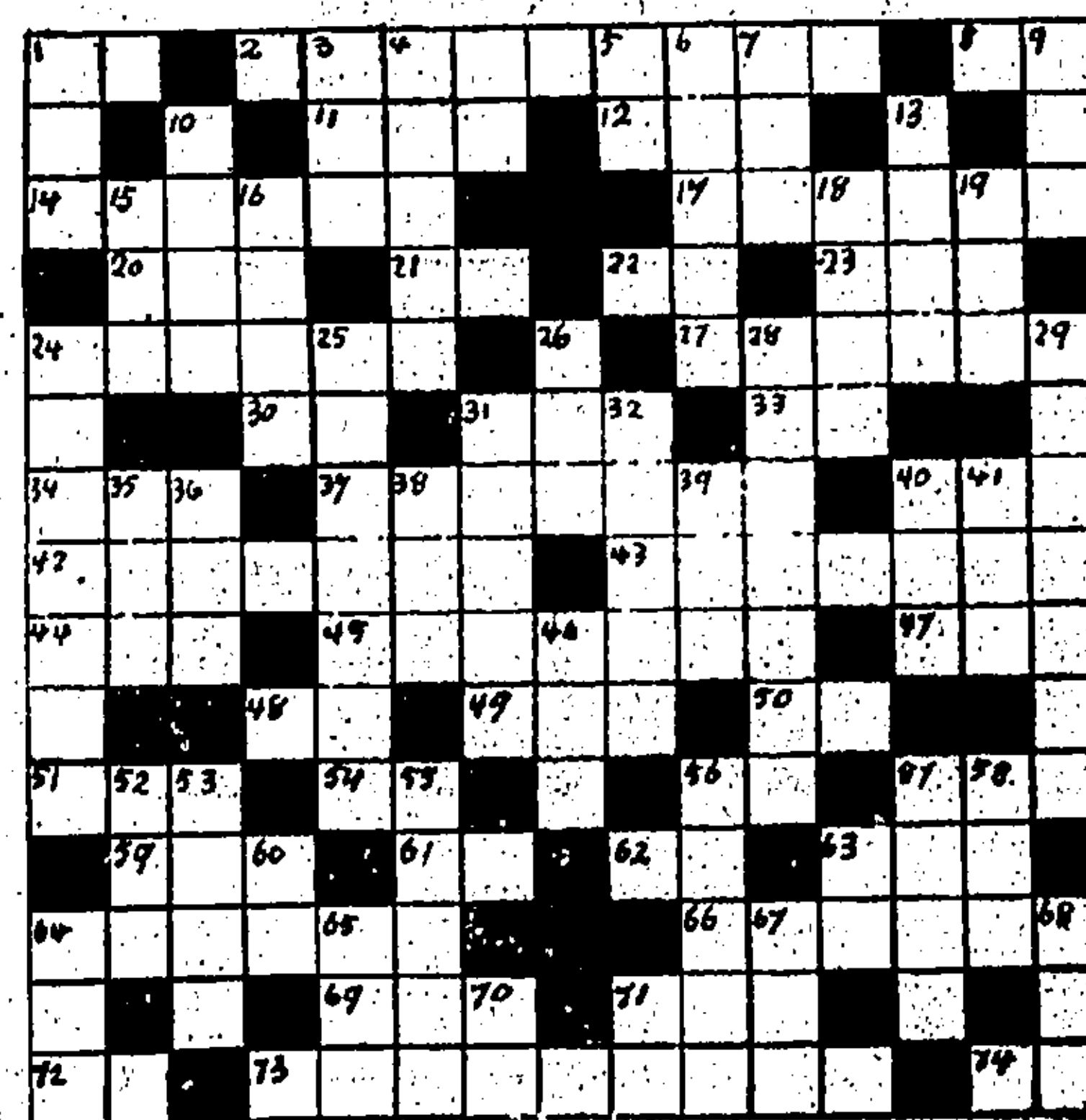
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SHIPPING SECTION.**WIRELESS MESSAGES.****COMPLAINT BY CANTON STATION.**

No foreign vessel, mercantile or naval, should operate their wireless equipment when in port, is the demand made by the Chief of the Canton Wireless Station, Mr. Wong Chun-min.

In asking the Military authorities to instruct the Foreign Office to take up the matter with the various Consuls, Mr. Wong points out that the work of the Government station has recently been much interfered with in consequence of the collision of electric waves originating from the Government station and the foreign vessels in harbour equipped with wireless. In spite of warning signals given by the Government station, these foreign vessels communicate regularly with other places by means of their wireless apparatus, thus causing delay, and in some cases interruption, to the messages to be transmitted by the Government station. This must not be allowed to continue, as many urgent military messages cannot be delayed.

MOVEMENTS OF STEAMERS.

The G.P.S. R.M.S. "Empress of Canada" will leave Shanghai tomorrow, at 10 a.m.

The P. & O. s.s. "Lahore" left Vladivostok for this port on May 8, a.m., and is due here on May 16.

The B. I. s.s. "Talamba" left Singapore for this port on May 10, p.m., and is due here on May 15, at about 7 a.m.

The P. & O. s.s. "Mirzapore" left Singapore for this port on May 9, at 4 p.m., with the outward mails, and is due here on May 16, at about 6 a.m.

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FOREIGN STEAMERS.**MUST PAY RENTAL TAX.**

Foreign merchant-ships in Canton will be detained if they refuse to pay the ship rental (charter) tax instituted by the Department of Finance. The Ship Rental Tax Bureau, which is charged with the collection of this special tax, has been ordered to take strong measures in consequence of a report that foreign shipping agents refuse to pay the rental tax for their ships. —"Canton Gazette."

MOST DANGEROUS CALLING.

The statistics recently published of compensation cases during the year 1925 indicate, states the secretary of the Mercantile Marine Service Association, that the most dangerous calling and the most hazardous life in existence is that of the merchant seaman.

This is shown in a White Paper issued by the Home Office and is proved by the number of settlements and claims under the Workmen's Compensation Act.

Shipping represents 38.4
Railways represents 23.3
Quarries 27.1
Constructional work represents 13.3
Docks represent 14.5
Mines represent 11.5
Factories represent 10.1
Shipping also headed the list in the ratio of fatal and non-fatal accidents per 1,000 persons employed. In support of the contention, the secretary of the association points out that the majority of shipmasters and officers are not liable under the Workmen's Compensation Act, and therefore, in cases of accidents on board ship, they would not be included in the foregoing statistics.

SHIPS IN PORT.

There were 55 vessels in port this morning, of which 18 were British.

There were 16 arrivals and 14 departures.
British departures 5; arrivals 8.

FORESHORE DUMPING.

Four masters of cargo junks were fined \$10 at the Marine Court this morning for dumping sand on the foreshore at Cheung Sha Wan, the alternative being ten days' imprisonment.

THEFT FROM SHIP'S CABIN.

Mr. Isbister, an officer of the s.s. "Kiangsu" reports that some time during the past two days \$75 in notes was stolen from his cabin.

DEATHS AT SEA.

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EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	June 22	June 25	June 28	July 1	July 10
EMPEROR OF ASIA	July 13	July 16	July 19	July 22	July 31
EMPEROR OF CANADA	Aug. 3	Aug. 6	Aug. 9	Aug. 12	Aug. 21
EMPEROR OF RUSSIA	Aug. 24	Aug. 27	Aug. 30	Sept. 2	Sept. 11
EMPEROR OF ASIA	Sept. 14	Sept. 17	Sept. 20	Sept. 23	Oct. 2
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CHICAGO MARU Tuesday, 31st May.

CALCUTTA—Via Singapore and Rangoon.

TACOMA MARU Friday, 27th May.

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	Departure	Wednesday	May 4	5 a.m.
LAHAD DATU	Arrival	Thursday	May 5	8 a.m.
	Departure	Friday	May 6	5 a.m.
SEMPORNA	Arrival	Friday	May 6	8 a.m.
	Departure	Saturday	May 7	Noon
TAWAU	Arrival	Saturday	May 7	6 p.m.
	Departure	Sunday	May 8	5 a.m.
SANDAKAN	Arrival	Monday	May 9	6 a.m.
	Departure	Wednesday	May 11	4 a.m.
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NYANZA	7,023	25th May	S'pore, P'ang, Col'bo, B'bay & Karachi
MOREA	10,953	28th May	Marseilles & London
KASHMIR	8,985	11th June	Marseilles & London
KHIVA	9,135	20th June	Marseilles & London
MAINTUA	10,940	25th June	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
KALYAN	9,144	9th July	Marseilles, London & Antwerp
MACEDONIA	11,120	23rd July	Marseilles & London
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WEST RIVER RISES.

FLOOD FEARED IN
CANTON.

The West River has risen as a consequence of the recent rains, the level at Wuchow being 8 to 9 feet higher. The violent flow, especially below the Ling Yang Gorge, is found to be dangerous for native craft. Two native craft fully loaded with cargoes are reported by the "Canton Gazette" to have been sunk at this point of the river. The yellow colour of the water in Canton harbour indicates that a flood is about to set in.

The Fungchun district on the upper West River experienced on the 1st inst. a heavy hailstorm. Following a thunderstorm, the fall lasted for nearly an hour, the hailstones varying in size from an egg to a ball. Trees were uprooted and houses damaged in and around the district city. Part of the magistrate's yamen, which had been in bad condition for some time, collapsed with the result that the inmates were obliged to remove to other places together with their belongings and the official files. It is learned that the storm has caused the peasants a great loss, as most of their plantations have been destroyed.

"ON THE SEA TO STAY."

Presaging the permanency of the American Merchant Marine, the Emergency Fleet Corporation has passed out of existence, to be supplanted by the United States Shipping Board. Merchant Fleet Corporation. Acting under the authority of a recent Act of Congress, President A. C. Dalton, of the Fleet Corporation, and Shipping Board Commissioner W. S. Hill, in the absence of Chairman O'Connor, have signed a statement declaring that henceforth the organisation charged with the management of Shipping Board properties shall be known as the Merchant Fleet Corporation.

The change in name was advocated and adopted with the purpose of removing the idea that shipping enterprise by the Government is but transitory, such as was conveyed by the name Emergency Fleet Corporation. Members of the Shipping Board claimed that the old name was demoralising, and necessarily very harmful, as it constantly kept before the public the idea that the Government would soon be going out of the shipping business, and would not maintain its services. Business men were not prone to break off their old connections to give American ships their business, where there was a possibility of the Government going out of business, the Shipping Board claimed.

While the board has no expectation of any additional marine legislation passing at this session of Congress, it is understood to be adjusting its policies in conformity with much constructive action that seems assured from the next Congress. The board is now convinced that the American Merchant Marine is on the seas to stay, and that regardless of what form the future action of Congress may take, it inevitably will be such as to ensure permanency.

SHIPBUILDING & OIL ENGINES.

Although the results of shipbuilding in 1926 and the position as indicated by the last quarterly returns make depressing reading if taken by themselves, a substantial improvement has set in. This applies particularly to oil-engined vessels, and, according to "The Motor Ship," whilst the tonnage of motor ships on the stocks in Great Britain and Ireland at the end of last year was 264,000 gross, at the present time the oil-engined craft actually on order in that country total 675,000 tons gross, although it should be stated that many of these have not yet been laid down. The improvement abroad is also marked, and the tonnage of motor ships on order in foreign yards is now 820,000 gross, giving a total for the world of nearly 1,400,000 tons gross. It should be remarked, however, that, even making allowance for the undoubted improvement in the shipbuilding situation, the yards are by no means fully occupied, as a whole.

THE BIGGEST MOTOR SHIP.

The hull of the "Augustus," the largest motor liner in the world, was launched a short while ago from the Ansaldo dockyard at Sestri Ponente, near Genoa, for an Italian company. The ship has a displacement of 32,000 tons, a dead weight of 10,519 tons, is 216 metres long and 25.50 metres wide. The height of the bridge, of the funnels and the mast is 28.44 and 68 metres respectively. The driving power is furnished by four Diesel engines, which give 41,000 horse power. The ship's speed is estimated at twenty-one knots and exceeds by three knots the speed of the "Augustus," which is the fastest ship driven by motor engines afloat. The "Augustus" will be put into the Transatlantic service between Italy and South America toward the end of 1927.

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A 10,000-ton motor-tanker, with Harland B. and W. Diesel engines, will be built by D. and W. Henderson, Partick, for Messrs. Hunting and Son, Newcastle-on-Tyne; while it is reported that Messrs. Harland and Wolff are to build two further oil tankers, somewhat similar to the six completed in 1925-6 for Messrs. Andrew Weir and Co. These vessels are shallow-draft tankers, 315 ft. long by 50 ft. beam, with triple-expansion engines. Including this pair, there are now nine tankers on order from Belfast builders, and a number of these are already on hand. They are for Andrew Weir and Co., the Anglo-Saxon Petroleum Company, and the Anglo-American Oil Company. The vessel for the last-named concern is building at Messrs. Workman Clark's south yard, and is of a much larger type than the others.

An 8,400-ton cargo steamer has been ordered by Messrs. Hall Brothers, Newcastle, from Messrs. W. Dobson and Co., Walker-on-Tyne. The engines will be supplied by the North-Eastern Marine Engineering Company, Wallsend. This is the third vessel ordered recently by the same owners from Messrs. Dobson.

Messrs. Armstrong, Whitworth, and Co., Walker-on-Tyne, have secured the contracts for a motor-tanker of 8,200 tons for a Norwegian owner and also for an 8,400-ton tanker for Steaua Romana (British), Limited.

MAMMOTH BATTLESHIP.

The battleship "Nelson," which has been under construction for over four years, has been completed by the firm of Armstrong, Whitworth and Co., Ltd., and will leave the Tyne soon for Portsmouth. The "Nelson," and her sister ship "Rodney," which is being built at Birkenhead, are the two battleships which Great Britain was authorised to construct under the Washington Treaty, and are the heaviest and most powerfully-armed fighting vessels in the world.

Their armament consists of 55 guns, including nine 16-in. guns. The vessels have a displacement of 35,000 tons.

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Admiralty Fleet Orders state that the following ships have been approved to be played by Naval and Royal Marine bands on authorised occasions:—

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General salute for Governors, High Commissioners, etc., British General Officers and Air Officers, Foreign Officers and Officials, "Garb of Old Gaul."

March Past for the Royal Navy, "Hearts of Oak."

March Past for the Royal Marines, "Life on the Ocean Wave."

Advance in Review Order, "Nancy Lee."

ELLERMAN MOTORSHIPS.

It was reported in January that Messrs. Barclay, Curle and Co. (Limited), of Whiteinch and Scotstoun West, were to build a motor cargo vessel for the Ellerman Lines (Limited), Liverpool. The vessel, it was added, would be propelled by a four-cylinder, opposed-piston engine of the Doxford type. It is now stated that the firm are building two further vessels of the same type for the same owners.

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—M. Clemenceau.

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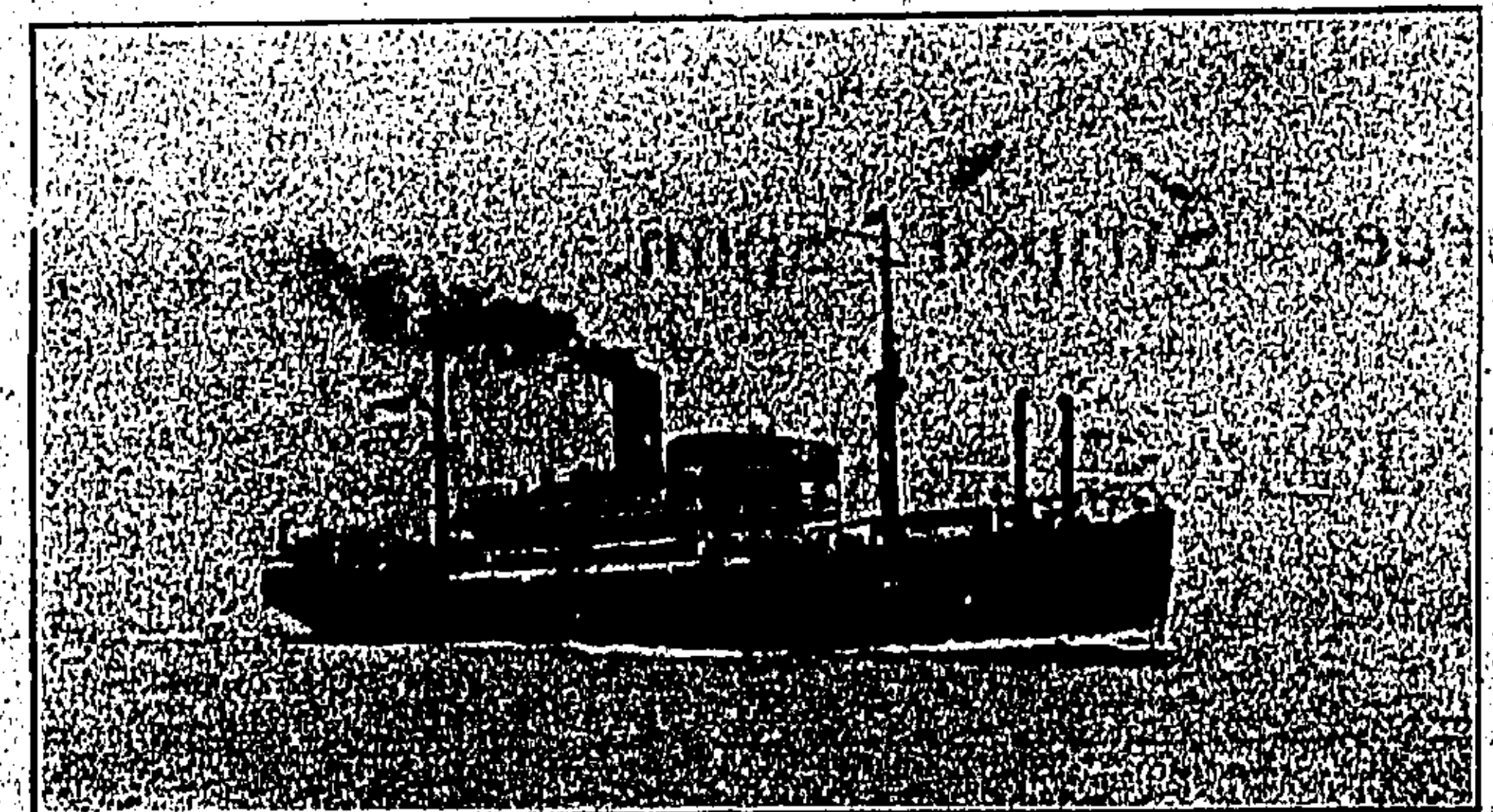
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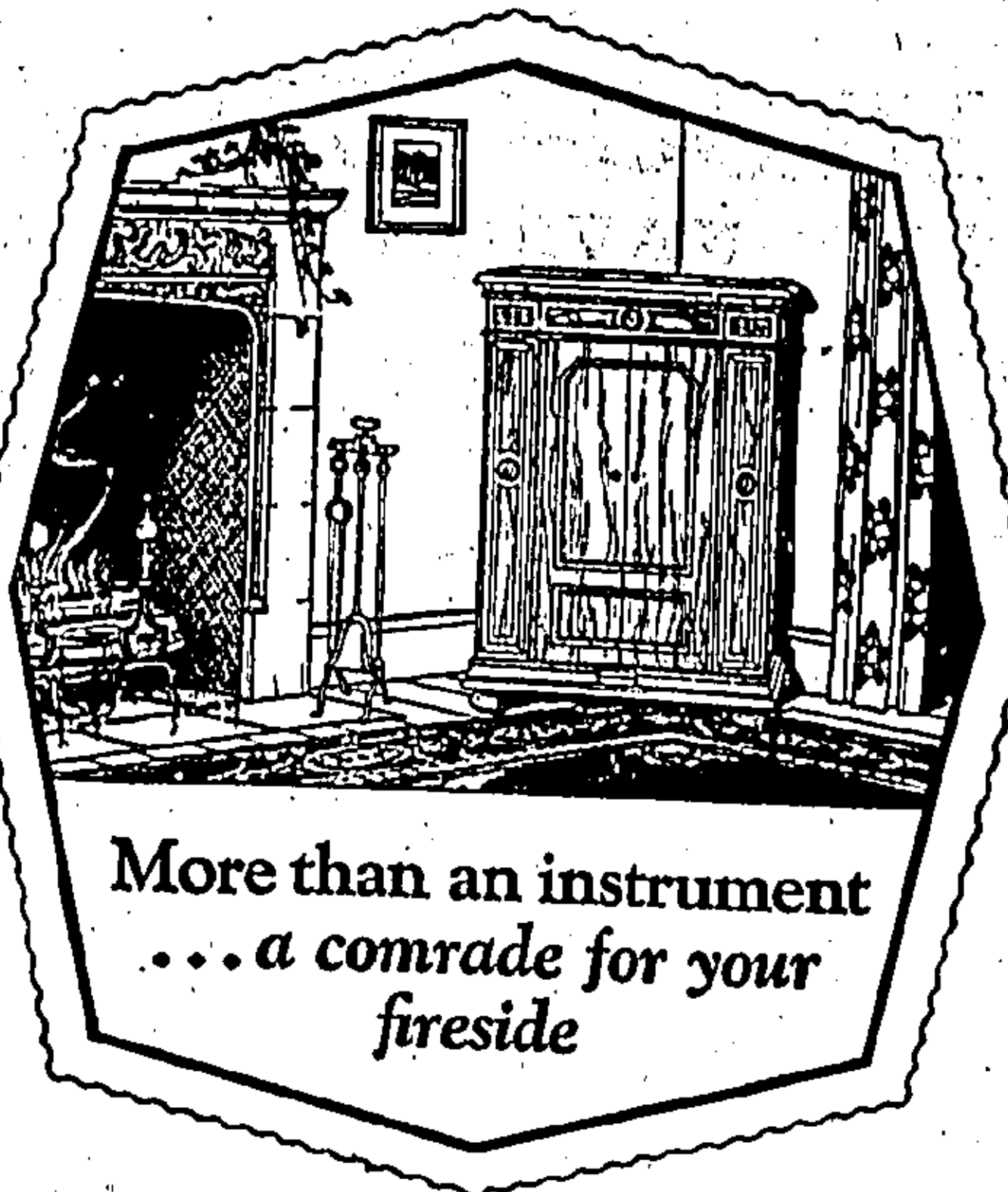
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ALLIES OR FRIENDS?

Addressing the Manchester
Chamber of Commerce at a
luncheon on April 23, the United
States Ambassador to Great
Britain, we learn from papers
just received, made a remarkably
frank speech on Anglo-American
relations. Mr. Houghton said
that the idea of an Anglo-Ameri-
can alliance was tempting but he
believed it would be wholly false,
since the only result would be to
unite the world against Great
Britain and the United States.
None the less he believed that the
future of the world depended on a
sound and cordial understanding
between the two nations. It is
impossible not to agree with Mr.
Houghton. However alluring an
alliance may seem, there is no
doubt that it has its dangers.
There is the point Mr. Houghton
made himself—the possible
enmity of the other nations.
Then there is the change that is
apt to occur in the relations of
allies; This change may take
shape in a feeling of restiveness
that comes with the sense of being
tied, or it may manifest itself in a
tendency by one of the allies to
take too much for granted. These
dangers are very hard to avoid,
and either is sufficient to destroy
the value of an alliance. Even if
these dangers are escaped, how-
ever, an alliance at best is only a
political expedient. Without the
complete goodwill of both sides it
is largely worthless; with the
complete goodwill it is unneces-
sary. There are stronger ties
than paper ties. The supreme

example of this, of course, is the
British Empire. The manner in
which our great commonwealth of
nations is knit together in bonds
of common interest, loyalty and
tradition, is a lesson for the world.
The ties which bind Great Britain
and the United States may not be
so strong, but for all that, deep
down, they are very real. They
are so real, indeed, that a state-
ment was made in the House of
Commons the other day that armed
conflict between Great Britain
and the United States could only
come when statesmanship is
utterly bankrupt and the human
race has lost the last shreds of
reason—in other words when
civilisation itself has ceased to
have any meaning. This being so,
what need is there for an alliance?
Great Britain and the United
States as they are to-day can con-
tinue to champion the cause of
peace and progress, acting
together, not because they are
tied by an alliance, but because
they have the same common
loyalties and the same lofty ideals.
They can march forward, not as
allies who are bound in writing to
do this or that, but as friends
whose liking for each other is
none the smaller because it is
mingled with the respect due to
independence.

Reds Fighting Reds.

The Chinese Nationalists are
finding a use for their Red pri-
soners by using them as "cannon
fodder" against their own side.
There is no novelty in this. Dur-
ing the past year the process has
been similar. Defeated North-
erners, or troops under Northern
Generals who changed their coat
and went over to the South have
invariably been enrolled under the
Nationalist banner and sent to
fight against their former com-
rades in arms. It may be expected
that the captured Red soldiers
are thankful for the respite—
even though they are now opposed
to the militant Reds that is
better than having their heads
chopped off or being mown down
by machine guns or injured in
some prison for years. Even so,
they cannot be the stuff of which
true soldiers are made. Their
loyalty to the "cause" of the
Reds must be still inherent in
them, but with a philosophy that
cannot be questioned they doubt-
less think that a live soldier is a
thousand times better than a dead
one. As to the kind of fight they
will put up against their ex-
comrades on the side of the Reds,
that is a different story. If they
are ably officered, all may be well;
in the contrary event they every
project must be suspect when they
get to close grips with the
other Red rebels still creating

trouble for the Kwangtung Gov-
ernment. Again, it may be
argued that if they are paid and
fed for fighting in the ranks of
the Moderates they may be
willing to become "converts" and
to carry on the war against the
Communists with as much spirit
as they waged it whilst in the
ranks of the Reds. Even a Chin-
ese soldier begins to realise in
time on which side his bread is
battered and then parties and war
lords become to him mere names.
All that matters to him is to get
his daily bowl of rice!

DIVERS AT WORK.

CUTTING THROUGH STEERAGE GRILLES.

"LEUNG KWONG" TRAGEDY.

From later reports regarding the
Capsicum Pass collision and the
sinking of the "Leung Kwong" it
appears that the Chief Officer was
in his cabin at the time of the col-
lision and it is thought that he was
asleep.
When the ship was sinking fast,
Captain Wilson hammered at his
cabin door in an attempt to rouse
him but had to leave shortly after-
wards as he was wanted elsewhere.
Divers have again visited the
scene and so far unsuccessfully
endeavoured to cut through the
steering grille to release the dead
bodies.
The Police have recovered
several dead bodies floating in the
vicinity.
A vernacular newspaper refers to
the generous treatment of survivors
taken by the "On Lee," clothing
and hot food having been provided
and a subscription raised for their
relief.

A NEW MEMBER?

LEGISLATIVE COUNCIL VACANCY.

MR. SHENTON PROPOSED.

There will be a vacancy on the
Legislative Council shortly due to
the departure of Sir Henry Pollock,
K.C., on six months' holiday (Sir
Henry and Lady Pollock leave on
June 1 by the "Empress of
Canada").
Sir Henry represents the Justice
of Peace on the Council and it is
understood that at the request of
several Justices of the Peace, Mr.
W. E. L. Shenton (of Messrs.
Deacons) has consented to stand as
a candidate. He will be proposed
by the Hon. Mr. D. G. M. Bernard
and seconded by the Hon. Mr. A. C.
Hynes.
The last temporary vacancy for
the representation of the Justices
of the Peace on the Council was
contested between Mr. C. G.
Alabaster, K.C., and Dr. W. V. M.
Koch (now on leave). Dr. Koch be-
ing the successful candidate.

"I MURDERED HER."

NURSE DANIELS MYSTERY DEEPENS.

"I murdered Miss Daniels, but
you'll never get me.—(Signed)
B. B. N. Waster."
This message, in male hand-
writing, on a torn postcard, has
been received by Inspector de
Ruelle, who is investigating the
mystery of the death of the
young English nurse at Boulogne.
The inspector believes that it
is not a hoax, and has com-
municated with the police at Nice,
as the postcard bore the Nice
postmark.
De Ruelle complains of lack of
assistance from Scotland Yard.
He points out that a communica-
tion dispatched on March 24 has
not yet been answered.

A GAME OF WITS.

A cunning Chinese who had
succeeded in evading Senior Re-
venue Officer Watt for over a
month, was brought to book yester-
day and sentenced to two months' jail
by Mr. R. E. Lindell for bol-
ling opium in a house in Cross
Street.
According to the S. R. O. the
wily Chinese had been in the habit
of bolting his opium between the
hours of 10 a.m. and noon when Mr.
Watt was engaged at the Magis-
tracy.
On Thursday morning the S. R. O.
left his office at the usual hour
apparently to go to the Police
Court, but not before he had post-
ed his men under cover in the
vicinity of the offending house. A
quarter of an hour later Mr. Watt
"doubled back" to the house and
caught his "bird" red—or rather,
to be more correct, black handed.
The man was forthwith marched
to the Magistracy where he found
himself behind the bars within an
hour.

NEPHEW IN A ROBBERY?

A Chinese widow living at an
unnumbered matshed at Taupok-
lung, Yau-mat, was the victim
of a robbery last night. Three
men entered at 12.30 a.m. by
forcing the door and stole prop-
erty worth \$251. She suspects
her nephew of being one of the
robbers.

INVESTITURE.

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LAST NIGHT'S CEREMONY.

Tributes to their work for the
Colony in times of difficulty were
paid by H.E. the Governor to the
Hon. Sir Joseph Kemp, Attorney-
General of Hong Kong, and the
Hon. Dr. R. H. Kotewall, Unofficial
Member of the Legislative Coun-
cil, at an investiture held at Gov-
ernment House last night when
Sir Joseph Kemp received the
insignia of knighthood and Dr.
Kotewall the insignia of C.M.G.
The investiture took place at
Government House in the evening
following a dinner attended by
members of the Government and
European and Chinese residents,
and began about 9.20 with a re-
ception for which between three
and four hundred invitations were
issued.

The guests, numbering about
400, assembled in the Ballroom
and a procession, consisting, in
order, of Capt. C. A. Steele, M.C.,
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W. H. D. Boyle, C.B., R.N., Com-
modore J. L. Pearson, C.M.G.,
R.N., His Honour Mr. Justice
Wood and His Excellency the
Governor, formed up in the draw-
ing room and proceeded down the
centre of the Ballroom to the dais.
After position had been taken up
the band played the first four bars
of the National Anthem.

The Ceremony.
A second procession, consisting
of Lieut. A. J. L. Whyte, A.D.C.,
bearing a red case containing the
Warrant, and Sir Robert Ho-
Tung, Kt., the Hon. Sir J. H.
Kemp, Kt., C.B.E. The Hon. Sir
H. E. Pollock, Kt., K.C., which had
already formed up facing the
right side of the Dais then ad-
vanced towards H.E. the Governor
who was standing in the centre of
the Dais. Lieut. Whyte, A.D.C.,
then handed to Capt. Steele,
A.D.C., who was on the dais, the
box containing the Warrant and
then took up a position on the
right hand side of the dais.
Capt. Steele then handed the
warrant from the case to Mr.
Justice Wood who read it. The
warrant was as follows:—
George the Fifth by the grace
of God of the United Kingdom of
Great Britain and Ireland and of
the British Dominions beyond the
Seas, King, Defender of the
Faith.

To all to whom these Presents
shall come Greeting: Know Ye
that We of Our especial Grace
certain knowledge and mere
motion Have given and granted
and by these Presents Do give and
grant unto Our trusty and well-
beloved Joseph Horsford Kemp,
Esquire, Commander of Our Most
Excellent Order of the British
Empire, One of Our Counsel
learned in the Law, Attorney-
General of Our Colony of Hong
Kong the degree title honour and
dignity of a Knight Bachelor to-
gether with all rights precedences
privileges and advantages to the
same degree title honour and
nignity belonging or appertaining.
In witness Whereof We have
caused these Our Letters to be
made Patent Witness Ourself at
Westminster the seventeenth day
of February in the seventeenth
year of Our Reign.

By Warrant under the King's
sign manual.

Schuster.
Address to Sir Joseph.
After this had been read Mr.
Justice Wood handed the docu-
ment back to Capt. Steele, His
Excellency then addressed the
Hon. Sir Joseph Kemp as follows:
"Sir Joseph Kemp, it gives me
as a brother cadet, very great
pleasure to hand you these
Letters Patent and to offer you
most hearty congratulations on
the honour of knighthood which
His Majesty the King has con-
ferred upon you. You are the first
Hong Kong cadet to hold the
office of Attorney-General of
Hong Kong and only once before
has a Hong Kong cadet been
made Knight Bachelor. I refer
to Sir James Russell, who in 1888
became Chief Justice of Hong
Kong. We all hope that you too
will attain to the same high judi-
cial office. No one in this Gov-
ernment is more worthy of re-
cognition and in none have I
placed greater trust during the
anxious period of the boycott and
its aftermath. Your knowledge of
the Cantonese people, united to
your high legal attainments, has
made your advice invaluable dur-
ing this long-drawn-out crisis.
You have been much more than
Attorney-General during the past
year. You have been one of the
main bulwarks of this Govern-
ment and a tower of strength to
the Colony in its time of trouble.

The Second Warrant.

H.E. then shook the Attorney-
General by the hand, after which
Sir Joseph Kemp and his sup-
porters took up their allotted
places on the dais. A procession
consisting of Capt. H. B. L.
Dowbiggin, A.D.C., bearing the
insignia of the C.M.G., etc., on a
crimson cushion, Hon. Mr. E. R.
Hallifax, C.M.G., C.B.E., Hon. Dr.
R. H. Kotewall, C.M.G., L.L.D.,
and His Excellency Major-
General, C. C. Luard, C.B., C.M.G.,
already formed up facing the left
side of the dais then advanced to-
wards His Excellency. The Chief
Justice then received the Warrant
from Capt. Dowbiggin, A.D.C.,
and read as follows:
George the Fifth, by the Grace
of God of the United Kingdom of
Great Britain and Ireland and of
the Dominions beyond the Seas,
King, Defender of the Faith,
Emperor of India, Sovereign and
Chief of the Most Distinguished
Order of Saint Michael and Saint
George, to Our Trusty and Well-
beloved Robert Hornum Kotewall,
Esquire, Doctor of Laws, Un-
official Member of the Legislative
Council of Our Colony of Hong
Kong Greeting.

We have thought fit to nomi-
nate and appoint you to be a
Member of the Third Class or
Companions of Our Most Dis-
tinguished Order of Saint Michael
and Saint George. We do by
these presents grant unto you the
Dignity of a Companion of Our
said Most Distinguished Order,
and We do hereby authorise you
to have, hold, and enjoy the said
Dignity as a Member of the Third
Class or Companions of Our Said
Most Distinguished Order, to-
gether with all and singular the
privileges thereunto belonging or
appertaining.

Given at Our Court at Saint
James's under Our Sign Manual
and the Seal of Our said Most
Distinguished Order this First
day of January, One Thousand
Nine Hundred and Twenty-seven,
in the Seventeenth Year of Our
Reign.

By the Sovereign's Command,
(Signed) Buxton.
Chancellor.

Address to Dr. Kotewall.

The Warrant was then returned
to Capt. Steele. H.E. the
Governor then addressed the Hon.
Dr. Kotewall as follows:
Dr. Kotewall, I am very glad
to be the means of investing you
with the insignia of Companion of
the Most Distinguished Order of
St. Michael and St. George. His
Majesty the King has conferred
this honour upon you for un-
wearying, zealous and capable
work on behalf of this Colony and
in special recognition of your loyal
and constant devotion to duty
during the anxieties and difficul-
ties of the last two years.

As one of the unofficial
members representing the Chin-
ese community of Hong Kong in
the Colony's legislature, you have
rendered eminent service both in
interpreting the hopes, senti-
ments and thoughts of the Hong
Kong Chinese to the Hong Kong
Government and also in explain-
ing the policy, the aims and the
ideals of the Hong Kong Govern-
ment to the Hong Kong Chinese.

It is largely thanks to you and
to your colleague, Sir Shou-sun
Chow, that the Chinese and Euro-
pean communities of Hong Kong
have met and overcome the
hazards of recent years with a
common purpose and in a spirit of
co-operation, goodwill and mutual
understanding. You have faced
much danger with unshaken cour-
age and have proved yourself
equal to any emergency. It gives
me keen, personal pleasure to wel-
come you into an Order of which
I also am a member, and whose
motto, inscribed upon this cross,
promises us success in the high
endeavour to leave the world
better than we find it.

H.E. the Governor then receiv-
ed the Insignia of the C.M.G.
from Capt. Dowbiggin and invest-
ed the Hon. Dr. Kotewall, after-
wards shaking him by the hand.
The Hon. Dr. Kotewall, C.M.G.,
and his supporters then took up
their allotted positions on the
dais, facing the audience. The
band then played the National
Anthem, and the full procession
advanced from the centre of the
ballroom to the dais and dis-
persed.

HUSBAND KILLED.

THREE MORE MOVIE CAREERS ENDED.

Public attention has again
turned to Hollywood, where three
more brilliant careers in the
movies have been ended.
Paul Kelly, a leading juvenile
who loved the "petite" Dorothy
Mackaye, star in "The Dove" and
other successes, is charged with
killing her husband, Ray
Raymond.
After beating him with his
bare knuckles, Kelly, it is alleged,
threw him out of a window,
fracturing his skull.

"LUCKY."**MAN WHO WOULD HAVE BEEN SHOT.****12-YEAR OLD UNCLE CASE.**

The nephew who was charged with kidnapping his 12-year old uncle, was this morning convicted by Mr. R. E. Lindsell and sentenced to nine months' jail and 20 strokes of the birch.

In the course of cross-examination of the uncle's mother by Mr. D. McCallum, for the defence, it was intimated that the defence was that the lady intended to re-marry, and being afraid that the step-father would cause the boy to be neglected by the mother, the good nephew became concerned about his uncle's future and took it upon himself to safeguard the latter's interest by planning a military career for him. He was supposed to have consulted the mother and to have got her consent.

When the accused went into the witness box, however, the defence was turned topsy-turvy. His own story was that he worked in the military secret service at Wanchai in Chinese territory across the bay from Macao. His commanding officer one day pointed a revolver at his head and ordered him to come to Hong Kong to raise \$200, telling him in no uncertain terms that he would be shot if he failed. He took the boy to Shekhi and left him in the safe custody of friends and then returned to Hong Kong to raise the \$200, ostensibly for the boy's ransom, but in fact the price of his (accused's) own life.

In passing sentence Mr. Lindsell said accused was lucky that he was brought back to Hong Kong. Had he been tried at Shekhi he would undoubtedly have been sentenced to be shot.

FORGED BANK NOTE.**HOW A MAN GAVE HIMSELF AWAY.**

Major Willson this morning sentenced a Chinese to four months' jail for the possession of a forged \$10 note of the Hong Kong and Shanghai Bank. He was searched on the wharf as he landed from the "Sui An" at 6.30 p.m., on May 11. The note and some pawn tickets were found in the accused's inner breast pocket. He waited when the note was pulled out, so the Chinese revenue officer who searched him became suspicious and took him into custody. Later the note was examined and found to be forged.

HIGHWAY ROBBERY.**FIVE MEN IN GOUGH STREET HOLD-UP.**

A tailor was the victim of a highway robbery in Gough Street at 5 p.m. yesterday. He was approached by two men who accused him of owing them money. When he denied this one of them attempted to snatch his watch and chain. Three other men came up one armed with an iron bar and another with a broom. The robbers relieved the tailor of his watch and chain with a pendant, a fountain pen and a purse containing \$31.

The tailor received a wound over his left eye which had to be stitched at the hospital.

RHEIMS CATHEDRAL.**INAUGURATION OF RESTORED BUILDING.**

Paris, May 12. M. Herriot has inaugurated the work of restoration of the important part of the Rheims cathedral which suffered so severely from German bombardment during the war. He formally handed over to the Archbishop the key of the great door in token of the completion of the restoration of the nave, where services can now again be held for the first time since the war. M. Herriot took occasion to refer to the generous donations from several countries toward the reconstruction costs.—Havas.

MOTOR CYCLE SKIDS.**POLICE LANCE SERGEANT INJURED.**

As the result of his motor cycle skidding at the junction of Lower Albert Road and Ice House Street yesterday afternoon Police Lance Sergeant Buckner was thrown heavily and sustained injuries to his head, arms and legs. He is now in hospital.

EVENING DRESS STOLEN.

Mrs. Brock, employed in Powell's ladies' dressmaking department has reported the theft from the shop, between May 10 and 12, of four evening dresses valued \$429.

TYPEWRITER STOLEN.

Mr. Bentley of the Union Insurance Society of Canton had a typewriter worth \$100 stolen from his office some time yesterday.

H.K.V.D.C.**VOLUNTEER ORDERS FOR THE WEEK.****KING'S BIRTHDAY PARADE.**

Orders for the week (issued to-day) for the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps read as follows:—

King's Birthday Parade, 3rd June, 1927.

The Corps will take part in the above mentioned parade which will take place at 9 a.m. at Happy Valley. All members who are willing to turn out will give their names to their Unit Commanders as early as possible.

A practice parade will take place on Monday, 30th May on the Football Ground. Special uniforms will leave the City Hall at 5.15 p.m. Dress for both parades: Review Order Khaki, helmets, khaki jackets, medals, shorts, putties, belt and bayonet, rifle and sling.

Scottish Company will conform dressed in the kilt, as for G.O.C.'s Inspection, wearing shorts.

Recruits Parade.

All recruits of the Corps will parade at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Tuesday, May 10, for Musketry Instruction.

No. 2 Squad, under C. S. M. Slattery, R.O.S.B. parade direct at Kennedy Road Range with rifles at 5.30 p.m.

Dress: Uniform optional, belt, braces and pouches, rifle and bayonet.

Signal Class.

Trained Men of No. 4 Platoon and those attending signal class from other units will parade at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday, May 19, under 2 Lieut. M. G. Noll. Dress: Muffi.

Artillery Co.

Parade will be held on Thursday, May 19 at 5.30 p.m. at Volunteer Headquarters for Gun Drill and Signalling. Dress: Muffi.

Mounted Infantry Co.

All ranks will parade at Stables on Thursday, May 19, at 5.30 p.m. Dress: Muffi.

Armoured Car Co.

Machine gunners will parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Monday, May 16 for Machine Gun Instruction. Dress: Muffi.

All N.C.O.'s will parade at Corps Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Thursday, May 19 for Machine Gun Instruction. Dress: Muffi.

Infantry Co.

Command of No. 2 Platoon, No. 811 Sergeant V. C. Branson, M.C. will command No. 2 Platoon during the absence on leave of Lieut. E. J. R. Mitchell.

On Fridays, May 13 and 20 at 5.30 p.m. all N.C.O.'s and other ranks as detailed by O. C. Company will parade at Corps Headquarters for a special N.C.O.'s Course of Training in Vickers Gun. The classes will continue to assemble every Friday at 5.30 p.m.

Parade at Miniature Range for musketry instruction on Wednesday, May 18 at 5.30 p.m. Dress: Muffi.

Scottish Co.

Thursday, May 19, 1927. No. 5 Platoon, Kennedy Road Range Tests 4 and 6.

No. 6 Platoon, Headquarters Tests 2 and 5.

No. 7 Platoon, Miniature Range Tests 1 and 3.

Thursday, May 26, 1927. All Platoons, March from Star Ferry to Kowloon Docks. Every member of the Company is expected to attend this parade.

On Sunday, May 29, Stonecutters Range will be at the disposal of the Scottish Company for the purpose of competing for the "Dyer Cup." Conditions as already circulated.

Members of the Company who have not yet fired Part I Musketry, are requested to fulfil that obligation as speedily as possible. Sunday, 5th June is the last date for so doing, failing satisfactory personal arrangements to fire with the Reserve Company on Sunday, May 22, at Stonecutters.

Portuguese Co.

The Portuguese Company will parade at Volunteer Headquarters at 5.30 p.m. on Friday, May 13 for Lewis Gun and Musketry Training. Dress: Muffi.

Musketry Course Party I. will be fired by the Portuguese Company at Stonecutters Range on Sunday, May 22.

Range Officer: 2/Lieut. S. Jarvis, M.C.

Men who have not fired Part I. will fire on the above date. Dress and Arms will be notified in next week's Orders.

Reserve Company.

Musketry Part I will be fired by the above Company at Stonecutters Range on Sunday, May 15, 1927.

Launch will leave Murray Pier at 9 a.m. and call at Kowloon Pier at 9.10 a.m.

Strength.

The following is taken on the strength and posted as under: No. 1248 Pte. J. O. McLaggan, No. 6 Platoon dated May 5, 1927.

Appointment.

His Excellency the Governor has been pleased to appoint Gunter Charles Peske Anderson, M.C., to be Second-Lieutenant in the Hong Kong Volunteer Defence Corps, with effect from May 6, 1927.

2/Lieut. C. P. Anderson, M.C. is posted to the Artillery Company. Promotions and Appointments.

The following promotions and appointments will take effect from May 12, 1927: Mounted Infantry Company. No. 580 L/Corpl. A. N. Lucey to be Corporal.

No. 2 Platoon. No. 705 Corpl. B. S. Rogers to be Lance Sergeant. No. 111 Pte. C. E. M. Terry to be Lance Sergeant. No. 875 Pte. L. B. Warren to be Lance Corporal. Leave.

The following are granted leave of absence from the Corps: Lieut. E. J. R. Mitchell, No. 2 Platoon from May 15, 1927 to February 14, 1928.

2/Lt. H. Owen-Hughes, No. 1 Platoon, from May 11 1927 to May 10, 1928.

No. 698 Pte. P. E. Barker, A. C. Coy. from May 25, 1927 to June 24, 1927.

Struck Off.

The following are struck off the Strength of the Corps, as from May 1, 1927.

No. 731 Spr. E. A. Lyne, Engineer Company.

No. 978 Pte. A. E. Greenway, Mounted Infantry Company.

No. 902 Pte. A. S. Forsyth No. 6 Platoon.

No. 620 Cpl. A. Ritchie No. 7 Platoon.

R. A. WOLFE-MURRAY, Major, Adjutant, H.K.V.D. Corps.

NOTICES.

Smoking Concert.

The Annual Smoking Concert and Presentation of Prizes will be held at Volunteer Headquarters at 9.15 p.m. on Friday, May 13, 1927.

It is hoped that there will be a good attendance and that all Prize-winners will make a point of being present and wear undress uniform with medals and decorations.

Officers will wear Mess Dress, White Drill Jacket.

Tickets \$2.00 each (including refreshments) are obtainable at Volunteer Headquarters from The Officers' Mess, The Sergeants' Mess and The Canton.

Portuguese Rifle Club.

First Meeting will be held at Peak Range on Sunday, May 15. Firing commences 9 a.m. Last car up 8.30 a.m. Rendezvous at Peak Terminus. Rifles and bayonets to be drawn on Friday evening, May 13, 1927.

Dress: Muffi. Belt, braces, pouches and frog.

No. 2 Platoon Rifle Club.

Third Meeting will be held at Peak Range on Sunday, May 22, at 9 a.m.

It is hoped that all members of the Rifle Club will endeavour to be present.

Scottish Company Fund.

Subscriptions for 1927 are now due, and are urgently required to meet current expenses. Platoon Commanders will please arrange to have the subscription (\$5 per head) collected from each of their members, and forwarded to the Hon. Treasurer, Pte. H. G. Howard, c/o The H.K. and K. W. and Godwin Co., Ltd.

All ranks are particularly urged to render their Platoon Commanders every assistance by promptly meeting this call.

CHAPLIN'S FUTURE.**MAY MAKE ENGLAND HIS HOME.**

It is very doubtful if Charlie Chaplin will ever produce another picture at Hollywood, and there is a distinct possibility that he may decide to make England his future headquarters, writes a Special Representative of the "Westminster Gazette."

In the beautifully appointed Fifth Avenue home of his New York attorney, Mr. Nathan Burkan, Chaplin had invited a small group of friends to see an unfinished product, his next and greatest picture, "The Circus," which he has been prevented from completing at Hollywood, and which will be finished in New York for release in the autumn.

Chaplin has changed little in 20 years. Success has not spoiled him, and though trouble has not touched him with a light hand it has not robbed him of the spirit of boyish gaiety that has always made him so charming and entertaining a companion.

Profit and Loss.

He provides for the student of human character an absorbing psychological study. When the last reel of "The Circus" had been shown on the screen, and the applause had died down, he remarked: "I shall make a lot of money out of this picture, and lose it all and more in a greater film still, a masterpiece of dramatic art."

His visit to England may have a big influence on his career, and also on the British film industry, for Chaplin is at the parting of the ways.

"It is very doubtful," he said, "if I shall ever go back to Hollywood to produce pictures. It is likely that I shall produce the balance of my pictures in London, the south of France, or New York. Which of the three I shall finally choose I cannot say."

Already he has made plans for the picture that is to succeed "The Circus." Strong in elemental drama, it will be called "The Suicide Club."

It will have a London atmosphere, with the Houses of Parliament and the Embankment in the background.

REALM OF CRIME.**SHERLOCK HOLMES IN REAL LIFE.****CROOKS THWARTED BY SCIENCE.**

From the world-famous Lyons Criminal Investigation Laboratory comes news of yet another triumph in the realm of crime detection by its director, Dr. Locard.

Baffled officers of the Paris Surete brought a code captured from premises vacated hurriedly by a gang of dangerous burglars to the Lyons wizard. In an hour Dr. Locard supplied the key.

This famous scientific crime investigator, who is the authentic Sherlock Holmes of real life, has to his credit more devices for the detection of crime than any other man living.

Cypher Symbols.

Working with a frequency table, Dr. Locard is able to interpret the cypher symbols by the frequency of their recurrence in any given secret message. For example, in French it is known that E is the most frequently used letter, all other letters falling into their places in the table.

It was by this method that Lyons' detectives recently got on the track of an audacious house-breaker. A captured cypher message fell into his hands, interpreted it gave full details of an impending burglary.

The mansion threatened was watched and the criminal taken red-handed.

Slight, somewhat sallow, with dark keen eyes, Dr. Locard does not look the least like a crime investigator when he sits in his laboratory in his white coat and applies his eye to one of his many peculiar microscopes.

Yet his quiet methods, based on the exactitude of all scientific work, have yielded two new and distinct solutions for crime detection.

Dr. Locard argued from the fingerprint system to his theory—since proved—that the pores of the skin in every individual are different.

Pore Marks through Gloves.

In one recent case, where the thieves had taken the precaution to wear chamois leather gloves, he established their identity by the pore marks which were clearly seen under his very powerful microscope.

In another case he detected a very clever forgery by the use of a micro-camera with its high-power magnification.

Give this wizard of the criminal laboratory a fired bullet and he will tell you from which of a hundred standard weapons it was fired. Despite standardisation and the use of machine tools Dr. Locard discovered that every barrel makes unique markings on the bullet it ejects.

ANOTHER CHANCE.**UPS AND DOWNS OF AN EX-CONVICT.****HOW HE LOST A FORTUNE.**

To have lived down his criminal past, made a fortune in business, and then to have lost his possessions through racing, was the life story in brief of Alfred Weeber that was told at the Old Bailey, where he was bound over for having twenty-two counterfeit shillings and obtaining cigarettes from automatic machines with three of the coins.

Sir Ernest Wild, the Recorder, said there was nothing harder for "an old lag" than to go straight, and it was much to Weeber's credit that he had redeemed his past. He would give him another chance by binding him over, but if he lapsed again he would go back to penal servitude.

Weeber: Thank you, my lord, it will never happen again.

Sentenced at Eighteen.

At the age of eighteen he was sentenced to eight years' penal servitude for possessing moulds for coining. Afterwards he received five years for a similar offence, and in 1905 five years, with three years' police supervision, for receiving stolen property.

"He afterwards carried on business as a marine store dealer," said Detective-Inspector Keen, "and did as well that he bought sixty acres of land in Essex and a coffee stall in South London. He retired in 1924, and then lost all his money on horses and was tempted by a man he met to use the coins."

The Inspector added that Weeber's wife left him when he went racing, but returned to him owing to his present trouble.

SUNRISE AND SUNSET IN HONG KONG FOR MAY, 1927.

(Standard Time of the 120th Meridian, East of Greenwich).

Date Sunrise Sunset

May 13 5.45 6.55

14 5.44 6.55

15 5.43 6.55

16 5.43 6.55

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19 5.42 6.57

20 5.41 6.58

21 5.41 6.59

22 5.41 7.00

23 5.40 7.00

24 5.40 7.00

25 5.40 7.01

26 5.40 7.01

27 5.39 7.02

28 5.39 7.02

29 5.39 7.02

30 5.39 7.02

31 5.39 7.03

I think it desirable that for the future nobody should acquire the right to vote until twenty-five years of age.—Sir Robert Horne.

NOVEL LAWSUIT.**FIANCE WHOSE FEELINGS COOLED.****AWARD TO REMAIN UNPAID.**

Awarded £450 by a Brighton jury for breach of promise of marriage against Dr. Ralph William Ball, of Portsmouth, Miss Phyllis Sarah Dorothy Seal, of Shoreham-on-Sea, it was announced, will not lift a penny of it.

Mr. Eric Neve stated that Miss Seal met the doctor in November last. They fell in love, and their engagement was announced publicly in January.

Everybody in Shoreham heard about it. The letters which followed showed that they were on terms of most intimate friendship.

On January 19 he wrote: "You are my mate," which showed the position at that time.

Subsequently, some extraordinary change took place, and he wrote soon after: "You know quite well that no engagement ever existed." That, commented Mr. Neve, was a very extraordinary volte face.

"Obviously a Gentleman."

Defendant, however, was obviously a gentleman, and when the matter was put to the issue he at once admitted the breach and agreed to pay damages and costs.

The damages had been agreed at £450. Defendant had realised the position in which he had placed plaintiff and himself.

"Although," said Mr. Neve, "you will be returning a verdict for £450, it is not the intention of my client to claim a ha'penny of the damages. She will not proceed to execute the judgment."

"She is a lady of means, with a substantial income from the hands of the Public Trustee, and has merely brought this action because the tongue of slander has obviously been heard wagging as tongues of slander do the place where she lives."

"Whispering tongues can poison truth," and her whole object in bringing this action is to vindicate her character, which she feels has perfectly obviously been maligned by this inadvisable talk in the place where she lives."

Shadows Before.

COMING EVENTS ANNOUNCED IN THE "MAIL."**Entertainments.**

May 13—Queen's Theatre: Buster Keaton in "Seven Chances"; Raffles, the Man of Mystery.

May 13—Star Theatre: "Soul Mates."

May 13—World Theatre: "Too Many Kisses."

May 13—Tea Dance, Cafe Restaurant Parisien, 4.30 p.m. Dinner Dance, 8 p.m.

May 13—Occult Demonstration by Prof. Harry Plesier at Lee Theatre, East Point, 9.15 p.m.

May 13—Special May Dance at St. John's Cathedral Hall, 8.30 p.m.

May 13—Smoking concert at Volunteer Headquarters 9.15 p.m.

May 14—Farewell Concert by St. Stephen's Girls' College Students, in the Great Hall of the College, 8 p.m.

May 14—Opening performance of Isakko's European Circus.

May 17—Star Theatre: The Wilbur Players in their latest comedies and dramas.

Sports.

May 14—Eighteenth Tournament of the H.K. Boxing Assn., Theatre Royal, 9.15 p.m.

May 18—Postponed Exhibition Tennis Match in aid of M.C.L., 4 p.m.

May 24—Meeting of Fanning Hunt Steeplechases.

Auctions.

May 13—A collection of postage stamps will be auctioned by Messrs. Lammert Bros. at their Sales Room, 5.15 p.m.

May 14—Messrs. Lammert Bros. will sell by public auction at 5, Carnarvon Bldg., Kowloon valuable household furniture, 10.30 a.m.

May 18—Auction of household furniture by Messrs. Lammert Bros., at 23, Humphreys Bldg., Kowloon, 2.45 p.m.

Meetings.

May 14—Fifth yearly meeting of Lane, Crawford, Ltd., Exchange Bldg., Des Voeux Rd., 11.30 a.m.

May 14—China President Loan and Mortgage Co., Ltd.'s thirtieth meeting, St. George's Bldg., noon.

May 16—Meeting of Members of the Hong Kong General Chamber of Commerce, City Hall, 4 p.m.

May 17—Forty-sixth annual meeting of the Canton Insurance Co., Messrs. Jardine Matheson's offices, noon.

SPORTS SECTION

HOME CRICKET.

County Championship Results.

YORKSHIRE WIN EASILY.

Centuries For Holmes and Hallows.

London, May 12. In the county cricket championship Lancashire defeated Somerset by an innings and 125 runs.

Somerset scored 92 in their first innings, Sibley taking eight wickets for 24 runs. On going to the wicket a second time Somerset scored 148, of which Earle had 67 not out. Macdonald took six wickets for 56 and Sibley four for 50.

Lancashire replied with 365 runs for seven wickets, when they declared. Hallows scored 164 and Taylor 67.

Notts v. Worcester.

This game was won by Notts by an innings and 63 runs.

Notts had first lease of the wicket and amassed a total of 305, of which Walker had 59 and Payton 50. Root took five wickets for 86.

Worcester scored only 80, Larwood taking five wickets for 42 and S. Staples four for 17. In their second innings Worcester scored 163.

Yorkshire v. Glamorgan.

Yorkshire had an easy win by an innings and 51 runs.

The home Club went to the wicket first, their score totalling 236, toward which Holmes contributed 107 and Macaulay 57. E. Davies took four wickets for 54.

Glamorgan could only reply with 83, Robinson being responsible for six wickets for 37 runs, and Macaulay four wickets for 31.

In their second essay Glamorgan scored 102, Macaulay taking seven wickets for 40.—Reuter.

BASEBALL.

LEAGUE IN SEARCH OF A DIAMOND.

Will there be no Baseball League this year? This is the question which is being asked by local "fans."

Negotiations have fallen through for the loan of the same portion of the ground of the Hong Kong Football Club on which baseball matches had been played for several years—in fact, ever since the inception of the local "ball" League.

It is understood that the Garrison authorities will be approached for the use of their ground at Sookumpoo Valley. In the interests of the game, which has "caught on" tremendously amongst local sportsmen, it is hoped that it will be possible to lay the "diamond" on the Sookumpoo ground this summer.

JOCKEY SUSPENDED.

The Epsom stewards suspended the jockey F. Fox for the remainder of the meeting. They also reported him to the Jockey Club because they were dissatisfied with his explanation of his riding of Birth Control, who finished second in the Betchworth Plate, which was won by Lallah at 11 to 8 on, owned and trained by Stanley Wootton.

ley, Dobbie, Chapman, and Farrell (skip); Muir, Magill, Holland and Macfarlane (skip); Police R.C.—Greenwood, Marks, Reid, and Muir (skip); Buchanan, Glendonning, Whant, and Moss (skip); Collins, Hollands; Sword, and West (skip).

Second Division.

Club de Recreo—Ribeiro, Barros, Marques, and A. Ribeiro (skip); Yvanovich, Silva, C. Silva, and Souza (skip); Osoz, Basso, Sequeira, and Ribeiro (skip); Craighower C.C.—Lely, Howard, Hartem, and Brightman (skip); Nicholson, Hanson, Rodriguez, and Kitchell (skip); Abbas, Phillips, Beer, and Knott (skip); Civil Service—Ecclehall, Rose, Haynes, and Brown (skip); Holdman, Jones, Luck, and Alderman (skip); Strange, Simmonds, Archibald, and Massey (skip); K.C.C.—Edwards, Nash, Lyle, and Lammett (skip); Hamblin, Harrison, Wragge, and Herriedge (skip); Gittins, Lawrence, Labrum, and Davidson (skip); K.B.G.C.—Hale, Randall, Thomson, and Warren (skip); Ferguson, Blair, Dixon, and Wylie (skip); Slipper, Budding, Hatt, and Macfarlane (skip).

LAWN BOWLS.

LEAGUE FIXTURES FOR TO-MORROW.

NEW 2ND DIVISION TEAM.

(By "Short Hand.")

Three First Division and four Second Division League fixtures are on the card to-morrow afternoon. As forecasted last Monday the K.B.G.C. made an application to enter the Second Division after the closing date and after the official fixture card was printed. On the principle of giving the greatest possible encouragement to the game the Lawn Bowls Association has granted the application, and the K.B.G.C. will make their debut against their near neighbours, the K.C.C., to-morrow. It may be remembered that three seasons ago the premier Bowling Club had two teams in the League, and some Herculean tussles were witnessed, whilst the friendly meetings between the first and second teams were events to be long remembered.

The full list of fixtures to-morrow is as under:—

First Division.

Craighower C.C. v. Kowloon C.C. Police R.C. v. Civil Service C.C. Kowloon Dock R.C. v. Kowloon B.G.C.

Second Division.

Club de Recreo v. Craighower C.C. Taikoo R.C. v. East Point R.C. Civil Service C.C. v. Royal H.K.Y.C. K.C.C. v. K.B.G.C.

The Prospects.

Taking the matches in the order of the card, there seems nothing to hinder the Craighower accounting for the K.C.C. at Happy Valley. The green here is in very fine order, as the writer personally tested a fortnight ago in a friendly "strafe" between two "big fours." The K.C.C. will be encouraged by their win last Saturday over the Civil Service, and if they succeed in taking away full points it would not surprise their own supporters.

The Police are at home for the second Saturday in succession, their guests being the Civil Service. Last year, if memory serves me right, this match was drawn. Both teams went down last Saturday, but which of the two will win to-morrow is problematical. The Civil Service have made a few changes in the placing of the team and this should make for a better display.

The Kowloon Dock are at home to the Mother Club—the Bowling Green Club—and ground advantage should be worth a lot to them. Last season the visitors went down rather heavily, and they will be bent on getting their revenge to-morrow. Both teams are making changes in the personnel—a policy not always to be commended so early in the season. Rinks must take time to settle down into team work, and this cannot be done with wholesale changes every Saturday.

In the Second Division the Craighower visit King's Park to play the Club de Recreo and should take away full points. The home Club have in a sense been "up against it" owing to the rains and they started practice very late. However, they have some good material and that may shape better to-morrow after the preliminary canter a week ago.

Close rivals in Taikoo and East Point meet on the ground of the former. Local "Derbies" invariably upset predictions, but so far the Taikoo appear the stronger of two very good teams.

The Civil Service play the Yacht Club and should gather in the points. The Yacht Club had no fixture last Saturday, and their team is more or less of the unknown quantity.

On the K.C.C. ground, the Bowling Green will have to go the whole way to celebrate their entry into League circles. They have, however, tremendous enthusiasm and this may affect the play and the result. It is a tribute to the popularity of lawn bowls that both these Clubs should be able to enter two teams in the League this season.

The Teams.

To-morrow's teams as far as can be ascertained are as follows:—

First Division.

Craighower C.C.—Muskett, Souza, Bennett, and Bass (skip); Neves, Fritz, Alves, and Omar (skip); Luz, Rosset, el Arcuelli, and Rumbahn (skip); Kowloon C.C.—Gorvin, Smith, Goodwin, and Gibson (skip); Abraham, Overy, Tacchi, and Hill (skip); Kern, Hirst, Hyde, and Pile (skip); Civil Service—Beattie, Taylor, Oswick, and Grimmit (skip); Maughan, Westlake, Keegan, and Deakin (skip); Smith, Lambie, Holledge, and Pendered (skip); Kowloon Dock—Atkinson, Kempson, Cullen, and Brown (skip); Gray, Cooper, Lindsay, and Gourlay (skip); Kowloon B.G.C.—Hazel, Duncan, Whitley, and Russell (skip); Head-

(Continued at foot of preceding column.)

IN THE RING.

DATE OF WALKER-MILLIGAN BOUT.

FIXED FOR JUNE 30.

London, May 12. The Walker-Milligan fight for the world's middleweight championship will be decided at Olympia, London, on June 30.—Reuter.

Milligan in London.

A Home paper says in mail week:—Affairs in connection with the Mickey Walker-Tommy Milligan world's middle-weight contest are developing in interesting fashion, and Tommy and his manager, Pat McGreechin have recently been in London. McGreechin has returned north highly pleased with the situation and convinced, in spite of varied rumours to the contrary, that the bout will definitely take place in this country.

C. B. Cochran, the promoter, has been able to meet Kearns in America, over the financial aspect, and Cochran's representative leaves almost immediately for America.

It is interesting to record that as a result of his visit to London, Milligan has been given the assurance that in the event of the contest not taking place he will be handed a substantial sum as compensation for the loss he would suffer. The Scottish party feel that everything is moving smoothly, and that Walker will in due course make the crossing of the Atlantic. Milligan has been doing some sightseeing in London.

A BANTAM SHERLOCK HOLMES.

Precisely the possibilities of Teddy Baldock, the German bantam, Friedemann, did not tell us at the great Albert Hall show for the Poplar boy won in a canter, says Eugene Corri, in a Home paper of April 2. He had the visitor stone-cold in the second round with a right-hand punch to the jaw that revealed a fighting wonder. Really, this Baldock is uncanny.

He gets into the ring as though to prove that a fighter can be made of ice. I am quite sure that he is a foreigner to nerves. The Prince of Wales was looking on. There were several thousand distinguished men and women around the ring. But Baldock, so did he carry himself, might have been out for a holiday in the gymnasium. It was all in a day's march to him.

He spent the first round by way of discovering exactly what Friedemann was worth. And then, like some pugilistic Sherlock Holmes, he decided that he knew all about him. Hence the punch that clinched matters in his favour. The pity was that the German was more than a pound over the bantam limit, and it must have been that he hurt himself in trying to get down to 126 lb.

But had he come into the ring at full strength, I am sure that Baldock would have won just as readily as he did. The condition of the Londoner was as near to being perfect as it could have well been. He knew that he must be the winner. But what captured us all was the way that he brought about his triumph. I do wish that the man who fancies that he is all that matters in bantams would come along, and try what he could do with this red-headed boy of the East of London. We very truly said that Jimmy Wilde was a wonder. Baldock is the nearest approach to the Welshman that I have yet seen. Baldock is an amazing—an incredible—boy. If the opportunity comes your way do take a peep at him. I shall not fear for the chances of Baldock if La Barba comes this way.

A Doubtful Point.

The Johnny Hill-Biquet fight had a most unfortunate ending. The Belgian, one of the gamest boys that ever drew on a glove, was disqualified in the eleventh round for hitting low. Not everybody thought the decision a good one. There were many good judges sitting around who would have it that Hill went out to a perfectly good blow to the stomach. It was a blow that the referee, because of the position which he took up, could alone decide whether it was good or bad. That Hill was hurt—that he himself believed that he had been hit unfairly—was obvious from his writhing. Undoubtedly he was in considerable pain.

Up to the point when he went down, he was ahead on points, and there had been immense cleverness both in his boxing and his fighting. But the warmest tribute must be paid to the Belgian. A fighter boy never got into the ring. He took punishment that would have made nine out of ten of us in his hand.

LAWN TENNIS.

TOURNAMENT SEMI-FINAL TIES.

YESTERDAY'S RESULTS.

Two tennis matches were played yesterday on the Hong Kong C.C. courts, resulting as follows: Handicap singles "A" (semi-final)—L. M. S. Lloyd (rec. 4-6) defeated C. C. Stark (rec. 3-6) by 6-3, 1-6, 6-1.

Handicap doubles (semi-finals)—S. E. and D. S. Green (owe 3-6) defeated Dr. W. L. Thomas and G. W. Sewell (owe 2-6) by 7-5, 6-1; E. J. R. Mitchell and W. Hyde (owe 1-6) received a walk over from F. A. Redmond and L. Forster (owe 15-3).

To-day's fixtures are:—Open singles final (re-play): Ng Sze-kwong v. S. A. Rumbahn. Handicap doubles (final)—S. E. and D. S. Green (owe 3-6) v. E. J. R. Mitchell and W. Hyde (owe 1-6).

Club singles championship (3rd round)—L. Forster v. Major W. B. Stevenson.

Handicap singles "A" (4th round)—G. W. Sewell (owe 4-6) v. R. K. Valentine (rec. 4-6).

In reaching the final of the Open Singles this season, Ng Sze-kwong drew a bye in the first round and defeated the following:—

Major W. B. Stevenson, 6-4, 6-1, 10-8. E. C. Fincher, 6-2, 6-1, 2-6, 8-10, 6-3.

J. W. Leonard, 1-5, 8-6, 6-3, 6-2. H. D. Rumbahn, 3-5, 6-3, 6-1, 6-3.

S. A. Rumbahn also drew a bye in the first round and defeated the following:—

A. H. Crook, 6-2, 6-2, 6-4. R. M. Henderson, 6-1, 6-4, 6-1. M. W. Lo, 8-6, 6-2, 6-1. T. Honda, 6-3, 6-4, 6-1.

DAVIS CUP.

Tilden & Hunter in Form.

The Hague, May 12. The American tennis players—Tilden and Hunter—in meeting a Dutch side, Tilden beat the Davis Cup player, Timmer, 7-5, 6-3, and the American couple beat Van Lennep and Diemerkoel, 6-0, 16-14, 6-4.—Reuter.

Of this I am pretty well sure—Hill is the best of our flyweights.

Ted Sandwina, the child of the circus—his mother is a professional strong woman—and Con O'Kelly put up a tremendous scrap—that is for heavy-weights. O'Kelly most of you know. He has been fighting for ever so long. Sandwina is comparatively new to the game. He is still short of 20 years of age, and you would think that he is very raw. He has many of the weaknesses of the beginner. But he is not so green as you might suppose. He is going to make a name for himself, else I am much mistaken. Believe me, Con O'Kelly was no duffer on this night at the Albert Hall. He was about at his best. A better try-out for Sandwina there could not have been, and it is all to his credit that, at the end, he was held to have won a division of honours. A draw was a good decision.

Herse, a German, knocked out Frankie Burns, the Australian. He is a hard and uncompromising fighter, but I think that Burns would have made short work of him had he been other than a shadow of his former self. He was a better boxer than Herse. What was wrong was that he could not go the pace. As for Collins, also of Australia, who was making his debut in this country, the soonest said the soonest mended. He was no match for Maloni, the Frenchman. He put up a decidedly poor show.

Has He a Punch?

There was no doubt that, at the end of 15 rounds, Johnny Sullivan, the Covent Garden boy, had out-pointed Tommy McInnes at headquarters at the beginning of the week. He was by far the cleverer boxer, but his display did not satisfy me entirely. That he is better than Alf Mancini, who on a recent occasion also beat McInnes, is a matter for speculation. So much may not be decided until we see the two in the ring. Sullivan's defence is very sound. No doubt about that. But he has got to convince me that he has the punch that a champion must have.

It is on the cards that he will be matched against Jack Hood for the welter belt, though it will be agreed that Mancini has established quite as strong a claim to take a tilt at the championship. At any rate, it is good to know that the way to a match for Hood has been made easier. The sooner the Birmingham young man resumes fighting the better for himself. There, even was danger, his protruded activity.

OVER ICE.

THOUSAND MILES AIR FLIGHT.

DOG TEAM BRINGS STORY.

Captain Wilkins and his pilot Eielson are safe. They have reached Beechey Point, on the north coast of Alaska, about 175 miles from Point Barrow.

They walked 70 miles after abandoning their plane. Eielson's fingers are frozen, but he will not lose them.

They flew over the Arctic wastes for nearly 1,000 miles, and had many interesting adventures.

Taking off from Point Barrow on March 29, they flew 500 miles steadily to the north-west, penetrating more than 300 miles further than anyone had ever gone in that direction before. They were forced down, but landed safely, and after a short rest turned to the east, traversing 300 miles of virgin territory, eventually crossing the probable route of the Amundsen polar flight last year.

For the second time they were forced to descend, but got away safely again. They were forced to descend a third time, directly seaward from Point Barrow, and were unable to get the plane restarted, although they worked for two days.

They drifted east for 100 miles to a point almost due north of Beechey Point, and finally walked to the shore, arriving among Eskimo huts on April 14.

A dog team from Beechey Point brought a letter to Point Barrow.

WHEEZE FROM THE BENCH.

"My wife has returned to her mother and won't do anything for me," complained a man in the Thames Police Court.

Mr. J. A. R. Cairns, P.M.: Leave her alone and she will be chasing you everywhere in a few weeks.

Complainant: She is not a woman of that sort. Mr. Cairns: Don't be pessimistic. If she does not return I will give you another wheeze.

WATER SUPPLY.

Level and Storage of water in Reservoirs on May 1, 1927:—

CITY AND HILL DISTRICT WATER WORKS LEVEL.

	1926	1927
Tytan	4' 9" B. 12' 11" B.	
Tytan Byewash	2' 9" B. 18' 4" B.	
Tytan Intermediate	3' 4" B. 10' 0" B.	
Tytan Tuk	38' 4" B. 28' 4" B.	
Wong Nei Chung	9' 10" B. 21' 7" B.	
Pokfulum	0' 3" B. 12' 1" B.	

[Note: B. denotes "Below Overflow." A denotes "Above Overflow."]—

Storage in millions and decimals of gallons.

	1926	1927
Tytan	345.24	283.29
Tytan Byewash	1.98	1.98
Tytan Intermediate	177.54	143.90
Tytan Tuk	652.68	820.00
Wong Nei Chung	18.80	8.80
Pokfulum	65.46	39.93

Total 1,261.69, 1,300.29

Consumption of water in the City and Hill District in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of April:—

	1926	1927
Consumption	153.85	215.29
Estimated population	400,740	411,060
Consumption per head per day (gallons)	15.3	17.4

Services to houses in the Rider Main Districts were disconnected and a supply was given by public street fountains only up to the 16th and intermittent supply in all Rider Main Districts from 17th to 30th April, 1927.

Intermittent supply in all Rider Main Districts West of Garden Road during April 1927 and Full Supply in all Rider Main Districts East of Garden Road during April 1927.

KOWLOON WATER WORKS LEVEL.

	1926	1927
Kowloon Reservoir	6' 11" B. 18' 0" B.	
Shek Lai Pui Reservoir	2' 1" B. 20' 4" B.	
Reception Reservoir	0' 10" B.	

Storage in millions and decimals of gallons.

	1926	1927
Kowloon Reservoir	284.25	191.50
Shek Lai Pui Reservoir	24.40	31.48
Reception Reservoir	80.95	
Total	389.60	222.98

Consumption of water in Kowloon in millions and decimals of gallons during the month of April.

	1926	1927
Consumption	52.76	91.97
Estimated population	154,780	159,820
Consumption per head per day (gallons)	11.4	17.0

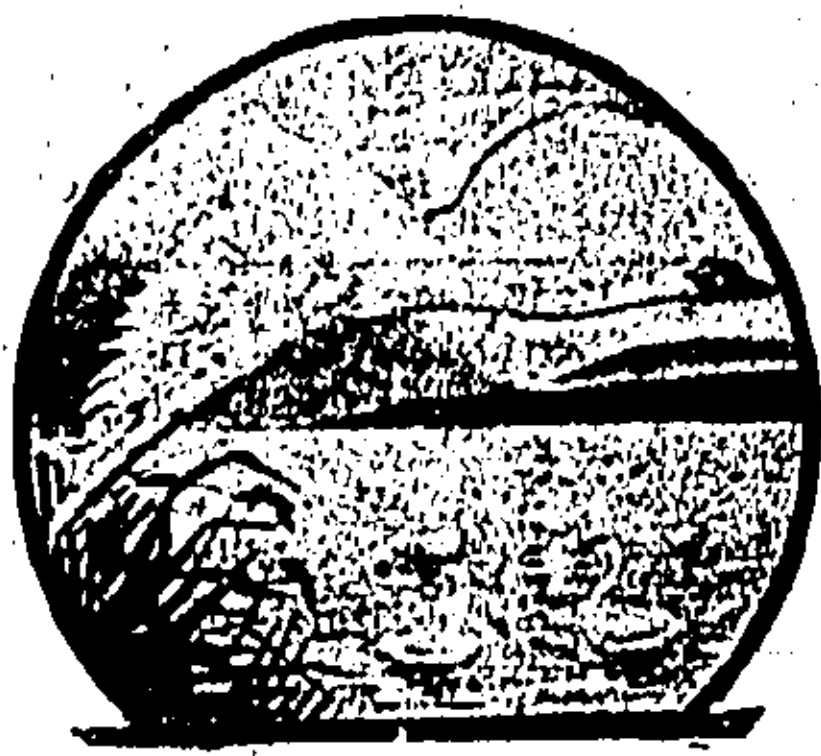
Restricted supply in all districts up to the 12th and full supply in all districts from April 13, 1927. Full supply in all districts during April 1927. The Government Analyst's report on the quality of the water is satisfactory.

LOCAL SHARE MARKET.

OFFICIAL QUOTATIONS.

HONGKONG, MAY 13, 1927, 10.30 A.M.

Names.	Hong Kong Stock Exchange.	Hong Kong Sharebrokers' Association.	Share & Real Estate Brokers' Society.
T.T. on London	2 1/2%	2 1/4%	2 1/2%
T.T. on Shanghai	7 1/2%	7 1/8%	7 1/2%
Banks.			
Hongkong Bank	106 1/2	106 1/2	106 1/2
do. London	111 1/2	111 1/2	111 1/2
Chartered Bank	220	220	220
Mercantile Bank, A. & E. C.	230	230	230
P. & O. Bank	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2
Bank of East Asia	68	68	68
Marine Insurance.			
Canton Insurance	\$660	\$615	\$660
China Underwriters	80 cts	80 cts	80 cts
North China Insurance	114 1/2	114 1/2	114 1/2
Union Insurance	20 1/2	20 1/2	20 1/2
Yangtze Insurance	\$38 M.	\$38	\$38
Fire Insurance.			
China Fire Insurance	205	205	205
H.K. Fire Insurance	600	600	600
Shipping.			
Douglases	31 1/2	31 1/2	31 1/2
Hongkong Steamboats	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2
H.K. Tugs & Lighters	1.10	1.10	1.10
Indo-China (Pref.)	30	30	30
do. (Def.)	38 1/2	40	40
Shell Transports	94 1/2	91/6	94 1/2
Star Ferries	53 b & sa	52 1/2	52
Water-boats	14 1/2	14 1/2	14 1/2
Refineries.			
China Sugars	19 b & sa	18 1/2	18 1/2
Malayan Sugars	31	31	31
Mining.			
Benguet	1.70	1.70	1.70
Kailan Mining Ad.	38 1/2	38 1/2	40 1/2
Langkate (Combined)	21	21 1/2	21 1/2
do. (Single)	9 1/2	9 1/2	9 1/2
Shanghai Exploration	14	14	14
Shanghai Loan	17	17	17
Raubas	4	4	3 1/2
Tronoh Mines	21 1/2	21 1/2	21 1/2
Ural Caspians	8 1/2	8 1/2	8 1/2
Docks, Wharves, Godowns, &c.			
H.K. & K. Wharves	98	98	98 1/2
H.K. & W. Docks	38	38	38
Hongkows	135	135	135
New Engineering	7 1/2	7 1/2	7 1/2
Shanghai Docks	1104	105	103
Lands, Hotels & Bldgs.			
H.K. & S. Hotels	7.05	7.05	7
Hongkong Lands	54 b 54 1/2	54 b 54 1/2	54 1/2
Hongkong Realty	6	6	6
H.K. Territories	1 1/2	1 1/2	1 1/2



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INTEREST IN OPERA.

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ENGLAND.

Encouraging comments on the interest taken in England in musical matters are made in a statement issued by the London Opera Syndicate. Recording that their subscription list to date amounts to more than three times that of the whole subscription to their first season in 1925, the Syndicate observe: "This is a very tangible sign that interest in opera, at any rate, is not only alive, but growing very fast. The increase is shown in all parts of the house, while the amphitheatre stalls were practically entirely subscribed for within a week of the list being opened last January."

In some quarters there seems an idea that international opera means all foreign artists, and that British talent has really very little to do with it. This idea is entirely erroneous, as the following facts will show. The large orchestra, of nearly 100, is entirely British. The chorus, numbering about sixty, includes many members of the B.N.O.C., and since the beginning of March a chorus master from Covent Garden has been touring with that company specially to rehearse the various choruses for the forthcoming productions at the grand opera, many of which are intricate and unfamiliar. Certain of these opera choruses are reinforced by a small contingent from Italy or Germany, as may be required, but they do not average more than ten singers a performance—not a very large percentage.

In the completed list of artists, which has just appeared, there are eighteen British names. One of the performers, O'Sullivan, is to sing Raoul in the "Huguenots," Otello, and Kalaf in "Turandot." The stage hands at Covent Garden (electricians, scene-shifters, etc.) number 157, and there is a staff of attendants, firemen, cleaners, etc., which amounts to another sixty, bringing the personnel to over 200.

"The London Opera Syndicate's chief aim," it is added, "has always been artistic success, but they are anxious to emphasize the fact of a rapidly growing public for opera, so that when they vacate Covent Garden it may no longer be considered an impossible commercial adventure for their successors."

"THE DEVIL'S DISCIPLE."

A Shaw Play Vetoed By
Magistrates.

An application, first made on a Saturday, was renewed at Chesterfield by the Adult Education Committee of Nottinghamshire and Derbyshire Miners for a licence for the production of Mr. G. B. Shaw's play "The Devil's Disciple" in the Miners' Welfare Hall, Chesterfield, by the Nottingham Art Theatre Company.

Mr. Joseph Lynch, an official of the Derbyshire Miners' Association, said that they were trying to educate the miners in various forms, and this would be a form they would appreciate.

Mr. F. Chambers (a magistrate): Why associate them with "The Devil's Disciple"? Why not take the other side?

Mr. Lynch: We prefer to start at the bottom and take them upwards.

Mr. Chambers: You take them down first.

The application was refused, the chairman of the Bench stating that they had asked for certain information about the play which had not been forthcoming.

"The Devil's Disciple" is a melodrama—one of Mr. Shaw's earlier plays.

FILMING A DIVER.

PICTURES AT 60 FEET UNDER
THE SEA.

A diving bell from which cinema films will be taken and from which visitors may watch the underwater operations is to be used when the exploration of the Spanish Armada galleon "Floresca" is resumed at Tobermory Bay, Argyllshire.

For 539 years she has lain, loaded, it is believed, with treasure, beneath 60 feet of water in a bed of clay.

The diving bell which is six feet high will hold the cinema operator and one visitor who will watch through a window the diver toiling outside.

It has been found that less than six feet of clay covers the galleon, and that has already been pierced by a steel grab which tore off a portion of the poop roof of the vessel and the lamp hanging beneath it, and on a second attempt shifted a port wine bottle, pewter utensils and a gold studded silver table plate.

An old London County Council fire engine, forcing water through a swivel mounted nozzle on the sea floor, will be used to wash away the clay while the diver probes with a pointed steel rod, and a 2,000-candle power electric light is to be used to illuminate the scene.

TOLSTOY'S SON A SCREEN ACTOR.

"Resurrection," the screen version of Tolstoy's masterpiece, which will shortly be seen in London, represents the fulfilment of a long cherished ambition. Ten years ago, Carewe, the producer, determined to film it, but that purpose failed to mature until Carewe by accident met Count Ilya Tolstoy, son of the literary giant, at a hotel in New York, and as a result of a conversation Count Tolstoy promised to help Carewe fulfil his ambition.

When the sage of Yasuaya-Poliana began to write "Konevski," or, as it is called in English, "Resurrection," his son Ilya, helped him in the laborious longhand writing and rewriting of the immortal tale of Prince Dmitri and Katusha Maslova.

From that meeting emerged the plan by which "Resurrection" became a £100,000 spectacle, with Rod la Rocque as Dmitri and Dolores del Rio as Katusha, a sum in contrast to the author's original royalty of £1,200 on the novel. The original MS. was accepted in 1899 for serial publication by the "Niva," a Russian magazine. The proceeds of Tolstoy's only copyrighted novel were given to the persecuted Dukhobors, a religious sect opposed to government by violence. Later "Resurrection" was translated into ten other languages and four stage translations alone.

In "Resurrection" Count Ilya Tolstoy will play the part of his own father, Lee Tolstoy, in a special prologue to the film. Countess Tolstoy also makes her film debut in support of Rod la Rocque and Dolores del Rio.

LETTERS OF GLUCK.

Forty-five hitherto unpublished letters by Gluck have appeared in Vienna in the Ed. Strache-Verlag in a volume edited by Dr. Georg Kinsky. During his visits to Paris the composer formed a friendship with Franz Kruthoffer, the private secretary of the Austrian Ambassador, and wrote those letters to him. Gluck's friendship lasted until his death.

The letters are valuable documents of the composer's relations to various contemporaries, and of his artistic views and intentions.

FILM BOYCOTT.

FAMOUS PLAYERS PICTURES
BARRED.

The protest made by cinema exhibitors in Birmingham against the acquisition of two important cinemas in the town by the Famous Players Corporation, one of the biggest American film concerns, has been supported by the General Council of the Cinematograph Exhibitors' Association, which represents practically all the cinema proprietors in this country, says the film critic of a Home paper. They have asked their various branches to give their support.

This means that the cinema exhibitors of Great Britain are advised not to book any further films for Famous Players Corporation, although existing contracts, many of which extend until September this year, hold good.

No objection has previously been raised to the holding of "sky" cinemas in Central London by American firms; it is extension to the provinces to which the association objects. The British exhibitors in the provinces do not want to book American films which have been skimmed by the exhibition of the same films locally in American-owned cinemas.

Mr. J. C. Graham, head of the Famous Players business in England, states that his firm is ready to sub-lease the one Birmingham cinema of which they really make use to any British exhibitor who would undertake to protect the company's "first-run" releases.

American films already monopolise 95 per cent. of our cinema programmes.

MUSIC AND WORDS.

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A modest man, Reinhardt rarely talks about his past, or future activities, although almost everywhere "The Miracle" has been acclaimed as one of the finest examples of modern stagecraft.

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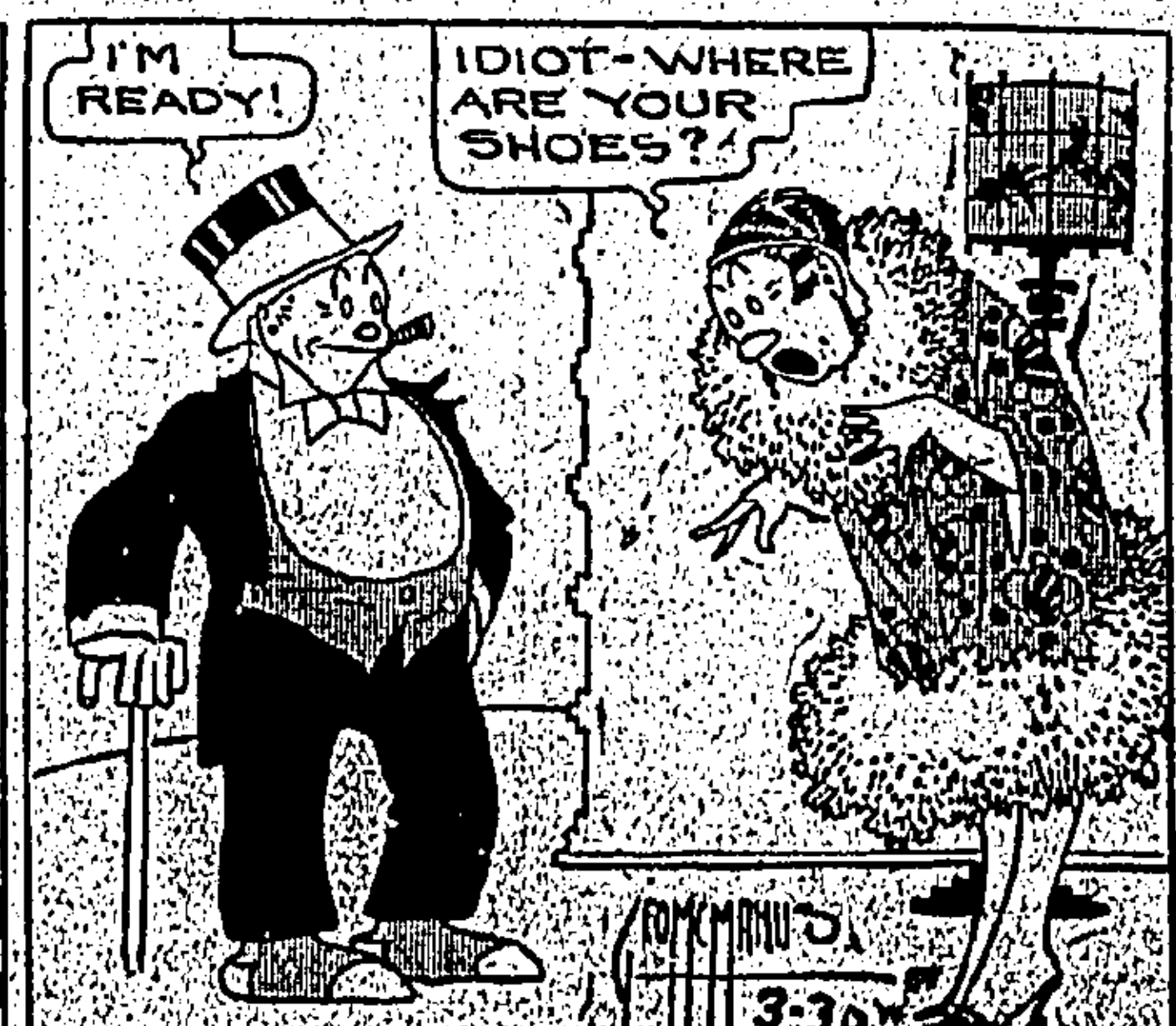
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A large part of the business portion of the town of Glace Bay, Nova Scotia, was destroyed by fire.

Special precautions were adopted to prevent profiteering in tickets for the Football Association Cup final.

Ruhr mines have secured, in face of severe competition from England, contracts for 400,000 tons of coal for Italy.

The Polish Minister to the Soviet has left Warsaw for Moscow to negotiate a treaty of commerce between the Soviet and Poland.

A man of 60, charged at Hull with being drunk, pleaded that he won a "double" by backing the winners of the Lincoln and the Grand National races.

The London County Council are to develop a further section of the Downham Estate, Bromley, Kent, at a cost of £810,000 by the erection of 1,256 houses and flats.

A Leeds-Newcastle express train crashed into a motor-lorry at a level crossing between Stockton and West Hartlepool, and two occupants of the lorry were injured.

The body of a woman, aged about 70, with the feet tied together and weighted with flat-irons, and a cord round the neck, was found in the Thames at Sunbury weir.

Mr. Ernest Brown succeeded in retaining Leith for Liberalism by a majority of 111 over the Labour-Socialist candidate. An amusing scene was witnessed in the House of Commons, where the Labour-Socialist members, hearing that Socialism had captured Leith, raised loud cries of "Resign! Resign!" Soon afterwards the correct figures were brought in by the Chief Liberal Whip, and were received with great delight by the small group of Liberals.

Tooting-bec Golf Course has been bought for £28,000 by the members of the club, who number 400.

Appeals broadcast from the B.B.C. stations from January to October last year brought in nearly £17,000 for charities.

Lord Cable, who served on the Indian Finance and Currency Commission and for some years was a member of the Viceroy's Council, has died, aged 67.

Conservative teachers and ex-teachers in London have formed an association whose first object is to counteract as far as possible the effects of Socialism in the ranks of the profession.

Mr. Ainsworth Harrison one of the oldest newsmen in Sussex, who for nearly half a century had stood outside Brighton Central Railway Station, died after a short illness.

The Lord Mayor opened the first of six Cecil Houses, in Devonshire Street, Bloomsbury, where homeless women will be provided with a bed, bath, and morning meal for 1s. a night. It was announced that the Queen, during her inspection of the house, had commented upon the absence of armchairs, and had expressed her intention of sending one as a gift to the house.

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Mr. Mellon, the United States Secretary to the Treasury, left for Europe in the "Olympic."

The Persian Foreign Minister has arrived at Moscow to conduct negotiations with the Soviet Government.

Owing to prolonged illness Lady St. Helier has resigned her position as an alderman of London County Council.

Mrs. Jane Daffern, of Coalpit Fields, Bedfordshire, said to be Warwickshire's oldest woman, was 102 in mail week.

From a total amount of £197,269,084 received in war risk insurance premiums Great Britain made a profit of £18,002,001.

Mrs. Elizabeth Floyd (101), of Brinsdown Avenue, Enfield, voted in the local municipal elections, being taken to the polling station in a motor-car.

Mr. J. A. Burgess, of Luton, who celebrated his golden wedding, has thirty-two years of service on the Luton Board of Guardians to his credit.

Clad only in his pyjamas, Mr. Frederick F. Lockwood, of Malton, Yorkshire, an East Riding magistrate, who has been suffering from influenza, disappeared from his home.

A stone, wrapped in paper, was thrown through a jeweller's shop window at Ystradmynach, near Bargoed, Glamorgan, and jewellery valued at between £200 and £300 was stolen.

It is stated that the Devil's Dyke estate, near Brighton, has been purchased for Captain Leslie Masters. He is a breeder of hunters, and the South Downs afford good gallops.

The body of Sir Charles Walston, aged 70, of Newton Hall, Cambridge, who died suddenly while on a cruise in the "Mauretania," was landed in an improvised coffin at Southampton.

The next pastor of Whitefield's Tabernacle, Tottenham Court Road, W., will be the Rev. A. D. Belden, who for 15 years has been at Crowstone Congregational Church, Westcliffe-on-Sea.

Miss Bessie Matilda Brain, aged 19, of Luton, and Mr. Alfred Harold Howe, aged 21, of Bedford, her fiancé, who were killed in a motor-cycle accident, were buried in the same grave at Luton.

Over 1,000,000 parcels had been posted C.O.D. since the introduction of the system, the Earl of Lucan stated in the House of Lords. The present rate of posting exceeded 1,200,000 parcels a year. Close consideration would be given to an extension of the service to letters, but there were practical difficulties in the way.

Judgment was entered for Mr. Winston Churchill in a High Court action in which he was sued by a Biggin Hill fish-monger for damages for personal injuries sustained in a collision between the plaintiff's motor-van and the defendant's motor-car. In a letter to the plaintiff's solicitors Mr. Churchill states that he is ready to make an ex gratia payment of £25, provided that the money goes to the plaintiff.

Lord Eustace Percy, in the House of Commons, replying to criticism of the Board of Education that a policy of restriction had followed a policy of continuity, claimed that in the last twelve months there had been steady progress in most respects greater than when the Labour party were in office. Last year 64,139 new elementary places were provided compared with 45,987 in 1924, and there was an increase of 9,748 pupils in secondary schools, against 1,090 in 1924.

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## PLAINTIFF'S DENIALS.

### Knowledge of Mortgage Procedure.

#### PROPOSED SETTLEMENTS.

The cross-examination of the first plaintiff (Loo Kwong-lam) by Mr. F. C. Jenkin continued at the Supreme Court to-day in the case in which two brothers claim the annulment of a mortgage on the property of their deceased father on the grounds that they were "infants" at the time of its execution and that it is prejudicial to their interests.

Mr. Eldon Potter, K.C. (instructed by Mr. D. L. Strellett), together with Mr. H. G. Sheldon, were for the plaintiffs; Mr. F. C. Jenkin instructed by Mr. G. G. N. Tinson, of Johnson Stokes and Master) was for the defendants.

First plaintiff said in reply to questions that the first time he had heard of the period of the mortgage was in the course of correspondence with his brother (the second plaintiff).

Mr. Jenkin: I put it to you that that is false and that you knew of the period and all about the mortgage from the very first.

Witness denied this. Counsel also put it to plaintiff that he knew that the mortgagees had power to sell the property if the debt was not paid, also that they had the right to take possession of the property and collect the rents, following failure to pay.

Plaintiff denied this and said that the first he knew of it was when the mortgagees actually did this.

"Infancy" Effect Explained. Plaintiff continued that the first time that the effect of the "infancy" of his brother was fully explained and the details of the mortgage given was when they consulted the late Mr. Lyson, solicitor. Mr. Lyson told them that as they were "infants" in English law, the agreement was not binding.

Various proposed solutions that counsel alleged had been made from time to time between the brothers in the matter of the disputed property were put to the plaintiff, who stated that he remembered certain of the proposals but not in detail.

Counsel stated that the first suggested form of settlement was that the property should be divided into seventeen equal shares, each of the brothers to take one and that in connection with this proposal, Sung and Leung Wing-cheung were to value the property. In the event of that being accepted, the action started by the junior brothers was to be withdrawn.

Another proposal, continued counsel, was that the property should be divided into seventeen shares and eight of them were to be handed over to the four junior brothers and the third, fifth, twenty-fifth and 29th brothers.

Plaintiff said he remembered his brother having mentioned something about it.

Question of Release. In reply to further cross-examination, witness said that he first heard that there was a release given to the trustees, at the institution of these proceedings. Plaintiff denied that Loo Lim-yuk's solicitor had told him that he had sent along a draft release.

Mr. Jenkin: I put it to you that you had signed drafts of that release, that you well knew that a release was required and that you knew the purpose for which it was required.

Plaintiff denied this. Counsel put it to plaintiff that he knew that he could not get the property unless a release was executed by him.

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Plaintiff also denied this. Regarding the proposal of Loo Lim-yuk that the trustees should sell the property and divide it between the seventeen beneficiaries as and when it was sold, counsel put it to plaintiff that he and the group of brothers with whom he was associated opposed this because of the delay and because they wanted ready money.

Plaintiff replied that his brothers opposed it but he did not. He also had no knowledge of his brothers having proposed to take over all the properties and mortgage them, raising the money and paying over to the trustees for the other brothers' shares.

The case is proceeding.

Earlier Evidence.

The first plaintiff was cross-examined by Mr. F. C. Jenkin yesterday afternoon, counsel suggesting that plaintiff had squandered the whole of the Macao estate left to him by his father and that he was now living on the charity of his brother. Plaintiff denied that he was living on the charity of his brother and said that with regard to the Macao estate he had disposed of it.

Witness admitted that he had been receiving \$100 a month from the "Society," which had been formed, controlled by the elder brothers, for the purpose of administering certain of the deceased father's property. Plaintiff had not heard until the institution of the present proceedings of the alleged existence of a document signed in favour of the trustees which stated that plaintiff would have no further claim against them.

This document was alleged to have been signed when the settlement already referred to went through.

Plaintiff further stated in cross-examination that he had not the slightest idea of the nature of documents he had signed in the offices of Messrs. Wilkinson and Grist. He had been told that the six younger brothers would get the block of six houses in question between them.

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